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C A L E N D A R

OF

The Court Rolls

OF THE

BOROUGH OF COLCHESTER,

WITH

Lists of Bailiffs and Mayors

TO THE PRESENT YEAR.

HENRY HARROD, F.S.A.,

1865.

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The Bailiffs,

From the earliest period to the substitution of Mayors in the year 1635—compiled from the Court Rolls, the Red Parchment Book, the Red Paper Book, &c.

HENRY III.

39th—1255, Ralph fil: Presbiteri and Simon le Eskyrtmesoure.

56th—1272, Nicholas Medicus and William Aurifaber.

Red Paper Book, p. liiij.

EDWARD I.

5th—1277, Richard de Berholt and Geoffrey Godyear.

Red Paper Book, Index.

6th—1278, Sayer fil: Ralph and Richard Prewet.

Red Parchment Book, fo. l.

10th—1282, . . . fil: Willi and Adam de Castro.

Red Parchment Book, fo. 223.

EDWARD II.

4th and 5th—1310, Warin fil: Willi and Sayher de Doniland.

5th and 6th—1311, Joseph Clerk and William de Saiera.

13th and 14th—1319, Anulph de Mounteney and John de Tendring.

EDWARD III.

1st and 2nd—1327, Ralph Knyght and Edward Chaloner.

2nd and 3rd—1328, Joseph Elianore and Alan de la Neylonde.

3rd and 4th—1329, Warin fil: William and Joseph Elianore.

4th and 5th—1330, " " "

5th and 6th—1331, " " "

6th and 7th—1332, " and Matthew fil: Robert.

7th and 8th—1333, " and Ralph Ode.

8th and 9th—1334, Warin fil: William and Ralph Ode.

9th and 10th—1335, John Jurdan and Robert Belch.

10th and 11th—1336, John Finch and John Caperon.

11th and 12th—1337, Matthew fil: Robert and John Fynch.

12th and 13th—1338, Ralph Ode and Joseph Elianore.

13th and 14th—1339, Warin atte Welle and Robert le Clerk.

14th and 15th—1340, Robert Clerk and William Hadlegh.

15th and 16th—1341, John Fordham and William Buk.

16th and 17th—1342, Joseph Elianore and John Fordham.

17th and 18th—1343, Robert Clerk and Roger Belch.

18th and 19th—1344, John Warin, senior, and William Hadlegh.

19th and 20th—1345, William Hadlegh and Thomas de Dedham.

20th and 21st—1346, Thomas de Dedham and William Hadlegh.

21st and 22nd—1347, " " "

22nd and 23rd—1348, William Hadlegh and Roger Belch.

23rd and 24th—1349, Matthew fil: Robert and Robert Fraunceys.

24th and 25th—1350, John Atte Forde and Adam de Colne.

25th and 26th—1351, Matthew fil: Robert and William Fermery.

26th and 27th—1352, Adam de Colne and Robert atte Ford.

27th and 28th—1353, John Dyer and Richard Bradeway.

28th and 29th—1354, John Boyn and Clement le Dyer.

29th and 30th—1355, Adam atte Welle and Richard le Dyer.

30th and 31st—1356, John atte Ford and John Alleyn.

31st and 32nd—1357, " and Richard Dyer.

32nd and 33rd—1358, Adam Warin and " "

EDWARD III.

33rd and 34th—1359, John atte Ford and John le Dyer.

34th and 35th—1360, Richard Dyer and William Reyne.

35th and 36th—1361, Robert atte Ford and " "

36th and 37th—1362, Robert atte Ford and George Fordham.

37th and 38th—1363, Alexius Cogger and William Reyne.

38th and 39th—1364, John atte Ford and " "

39th and 40th—1365, Robert atte Ford and William Bosse.

40th and 41st—1366, John atte Ford and Alexius Cogger.

41st and 42nd—1367, " " "

42nd and 43rd—1368, Richard Drory and John Beck.

43rd and 44th—1369, Robert atte Ford and William Mate.

44th and 45th—1370, " and John Lucas.

45th and 46th—1371, " " "

46th and 47th—1372, Alexius Cogger and William Cristemasse.

47th and 48th—1373, William Reyne and John Clerk.

48th and 49th—1374, John atte Forde and John Pebemersh.

49th and 50th—1375, William Reyne and Alexander Pod.

RICHARD II.

50th and 1st—1376, Alexius Cogger and Stephen Baron.

1st and 2nd—1377, William Reyne and John Beck.

2nd and 3rd—1378, Alexius Cogger and Geoffrey Dawe.

3rd and 4th—1379, Robert atte Ford and Stephen Baron.

4th and 5th—1380, Alexius Cogger and Ralph Algar.

5th and 6th—1381, Thomas Fraunceys and Thomas Clerk.

6th and 7th—1382, Simon Fordham and John Christian.

7th and 8th—1383, Thomas Fraunceys and Ralph Algar.

8th and 9th—1384, Alexius Cogger and John Cristion.

9th and 10th—1385, Ralph Algar and William Penne.

10th and 11th—1386, Simon Fordham and John Cristion.

11th and 12th—1387, Thomas Fraunceys and John Saburgh.

12th and 13th—1388, Ralph Algar and Stephen Baroun.

13th and 14th—1389, Thomas Fraunceys and Alexius Cogger.

14th and 15th—1390, Simon Fordham and John Cristion.

15th and 16th—1391, William Reyne and John Seburgh.

16th and 17th—1392, Thomas Fraunceys and John Cristion.

17th and 18th—1393, Simon Fordham and Ralph Algar.

18th and 19th—1394, John Seburgh and Thomas Clerk.

19th and 20th—1395, Simon Fordham and John Dyer.

20th and 21st—1396, John Cristion and John Seburgh.

21st and 22nd—1397, John Dyer, Merchant, and William Mate.

22nd and 23rd—1398, Thomas Godestone and Thomas Fraunceys.

HENRY IV.

1st—1399, John Seburgh and John atte Ford.

2nd—1400, Thomas Fraunceys and Stephen Flyspe.

BAILIFFS—*continued.*

HENRY IV.

- 3rd—1401, Thomas Godestone and John Seburgh.
 4th—1402, John atte Ford and Stephen Neggmere.
 5th—1403, Thomas Fraunceys and John Pod.
 6th—1404, Thomas Godeston and John Seburgh.
 7th—1405, John Ford and John Dyer.
 8th—1406, Thomas Godeston and Henry Gosse.
 9th—1407, Thomas Fraunceys and John Pod.
 10th—1408, John Dyer and William Mate.
 11th—1409, Thomas Fraunceys and John Pod.
 12th—1410, John atte Ford and William Mate.
 13th—1411, Thomas Godeston and John Dyer.

HENRY V.

- 14th and 1st—1412, Thomas Fraunceys and John atte Ford.
 1st and 2nd—1413, Thomas Godston and William Mate.
 2nd and 3rd—1414, Thomas Fraunceys and John Forde.
 3rd and 4th—1415, Thomas Godston and John Kymberle.
 4th and 5th—1416, John Forde and William Maate.
 5th and 6th—1417, Thomas Godston and William Notyngham.
 6th and 7th—1418, John Forde and Augustine Benefaunt.
 7th and 8th—1419, Thomas Godston and William Notyngham.
 8th and 9th—1420, John Kymberle and William Maate.
 9th and 10th—1421, Thomas Godston and Henry Bosse.

HENRY VI.

- 1st and 2nd—1422, William Notyngham and John Sumpter.
 2nd and 3rd—1423,
 3rd and 4th—1424, John Sumpter and Henry Bosse.
 4th and 5th—1425, Thomas Godston and John Kymberle.
 5th and 6th—1426, Henry Bosse and William Notyngham.
 6th and 7th—1427, Simon Mate and Thomas Oskyn.
 7th and 8th—1428, John Beche and Robert Silby.
 8th and 9th—1429, Thomas Godston and John Beche.
 9th and 10th—1430, Henry Bosse and John Trewa.
 10th and 11th—1431, John Beche and Robert Priour.
 11th and 12th—1432, Henry Bosse and John Stevens.
 12th and 13th—1433, John Beche and Robert Priour.
 13th and 14th—1434, Simon Mate and Thomas Oskyn.
 14th and 15th—1435, Robert Silby and Walter Benefey.
 15th and 16th—1436, John Trewa and John Rouge.
 16th and 17th—1437, John Beche and Walter Benefey.
 17th and 18th—1438, Thomas Oskyn and Robert Silby.
 18th and 19th—1439, Walter Benefey and John Ode.
 19th and 20th—1440, John Beche and Robert Priour.
 20th and 21st—1441, John Trewa and John Rouge.
 21st and 22nd—1442, John Beche and Nicholas Pecke.
 22nd and 23rd—1443, John Rouge and Thomas Cent.
 23rd and 24th—1444, John Beche and Nicholas Pecke.
 24th and 25th—1445, Thomas Oskyn and Thomas Atte Woode.
 25th and 26th—1446, Robert Silby and Roger Wyke.
 26th and 27th—1447, John Beche and John Rouge.
 27th and 28th—1448, Robert Silby and Roger Wyke.
 28th and 29th—1449, Nicholas Pecke and Thomas atte Wode.
 29th and 30th—1450, William Lecche and William Saxe.
 30th and 31st—1451, John Foorde and John Baker.

HENRY VI.

- 31st and 32nd—1452, Thomas atte Wode and William Saxe.
 32nd and 33rd—1453, John Foorde and William Petteworth.
 33rd and 34th—1454, William Forde and John Sayer.
 34th and 35th—1455, William Saxe and Seman You.
 35th and 36th—1456, John Foorde and John Beehe.
 36th and 37th—1457, William Saxe and John Sayer.
 37th and 38th—1458, John Foorde and Matthew Drury.
 38th and 39th—1459, William Petteworth and William Ford.

EDWARD IV.

- 39th and 1st—1460, Matthew Drury and John Baroun.
 1st and 2nd—1461, William Forde and John Seman.
 2nd and 3rd—1462, John Forde and John Water.
 3rd and 4th—1463, William Smyth and John Bishop.
 4th and 5th—1464, John Wright and William Rede.
 5th and 6th—1465, William Forde and William Smyth.
 6th and 7th—1466, John Wright and John Forde.
 7th and 8th—1467, Richard Wedde and Richard Parker.
 8th and 9th—1468, William Forde and John Bishop.
 9th and 10th—1469, Thomas Smyth and John Boteler.
 10th and 11th—1470, William Forde and John Wryght.
 11th and 12th—1471, John Boteler and Richard Markes.
 12th and 13th—1472, Thomas Smyth and William Colchester.
 13th and 14th—1473, William Forde and John Boteler.
 14th and 15th—1474, William Colchestre and Thomas Cristemasse.
 15th and 16th—1475, John Bishop and John Boteler.
 16th and 17th—1476, Thomas Smyth and Thomas Cristemasse.
 17th and 18th—1477, William Smyth and William Colchestre.
 18th and 19th—1478, William Forde and John Bishop.
 19th and 20th—1479, Richard Markes and Thomas Smythe.
 20th and 21st—1480, William Smyth, and Thomas Stamp, who died,
 John Gauday elected.

21st and 22nd—1481, John Gauday and Thomas Jopson.

RICHARD III.

- 22nd and 1st—1482, John Bishop and Thomas Cristemasse.
 1st and 2nd—1483, William Forde and William Smyth.
 2nd and 3rd—1484, Thomas Cristemasse and Richard Plomer.

HENRY VII.

- 1st and 2nd—1485, Thomas Jopson and John Upcher.
 2nd and 3rd—1486, Richard Markes and Thomas Cristemasse.
 3rd and 4th—1487, Thomas Jopson, and Richard Hervey, who
 died, succeeded by Richard Plomer.
 4th and 5th—1488, Richard Heynes and Richard Halke.
 5th and 6th—1489, John Upchare and Richard Barker.
 6th and 7th—1490, Thomas Jopson and John Bardfeld.
 7th and 8th—1491, Thomas Cristemas, senior, and Nicholas Clere.
 8th and 9th—1492, John Upchare and John Bardfeld.
 9th and 10th—1493, Richard Markes and Thomas Cristemas.
 10th and 11th—1494, Richard Heynes and Richard Barker.
 11th and 12th—1495, Thomas Cristemess, senior, and John Thurske.
 12th and 13th—1496, Richard Heynes and Richard Barker.
 13th and 14th—1497, Thomas Cristmas, senior, and Thomas Crist-
 mas, junior.
 14th and 15th—1498, John Swayn and John Breton

BAILIFFS—*continued.*

HENRY VII.

- 15th and 16th—1499, Thomas Cristemas, senior, and Richard Barker, who died in July, and Thomas Jopson elected.
 16th and 17th—1500, Thomas Cristemas, junior, and John Swayn.
 17th and 18th—1501, Robert Cowbregge and John John.
 18th and 19th—1502, John Swayn and Robert Byest.
 19th and 20th—1503, Thomas Cristemas and John Maykyn.
 20th and 21st—1504, John Swayn and Richard Pakke.
 21st and 22nd—1505, John Berdefeld and William Benyghte.
 22nd and 23rd—1506, Thomas Cristemas and John Swayn.
 23rd and 24th—1507, Robert Cowbregge and William Benyght.

HENRY VIII,

- 24th and 1st—1508, " " "
 1st and 2nd—1509, Thomas Cristemas and John Swayn.
 2nd and 3rd—1510, John Maykyn and Richard Pakke.
 3rd and 4th—1511, John Swayn and John Reynold.
 4th and 5th—1512, John Smalpece and John Bryan.
 5th and 6th—1513, John Swayn and John Clere.
 6th and 7th—1514, John Smalpece and John Colle.
 7th and 8th—1515, Thomas Cristemas and John Reynold.
 8th and 9th—1516, John Maykyn and John Cristemas.
 9th and 10th—1517, Thomas Cristemas and John Coggysdale.
 10th and 11th—1518, John Clere and John Colle.
 11th and 12th—1519, Thomas Cristemas and William Debenham.
 12th and 13th—1520, John Clere and John Colle.
 13th and 14th—1521, Ambrose Lowthe and William Jopson.
 14th and 15th—1522, John Bradman and Thomas Flyngaunt.
 15th and 16th—1523, John Maykyn and John Colle.
 16th and 17th—1524, John Clere and John Coggysdale.
 17th and 18th—1525, John Cristemas and Christopher Hamonde.
 18th and 19th—1526, Ambrose Lowthe and John Neve.
 19th and 20th—1527, Thomas Flyngaunts and John Smalpece.
 20th and 21st—1528, John Maykyn and John Coksal.
 21st and 22nd—1529, John Coll and William Beket.
 22nd and 23rd—1530, Ambrose Lowthe and John Neve.
 23rd and 24th—1531, John Cristemas and John Maykyn.
 24th and 25th—1532, John Clere and Thomas Coke.
 25th and 26th—1533, Thomas Flyngaunts and John Smalpece.
 26th and 27th—1534, John Coole and William Beket.
 27th and 28th—1535, John Crystemas and John Neve.
 28th and 29th—1536, John Clere and Thomas Flyngaunts.
 29th and 30th—1537, Robert Brown and William Thursteyn.
 30th and 31st—1538, John Crystemas and Thomas Cokke.
 31st and 32nd—1539, John Neve and Robert Leche.
 32nd and 33rd—1540, Augustine Beriff and George Seyer.
 33rd and 34th—1541, Benjamin Clere and Robert Browne.
 34th and 35th—1542, Thomas Cokke and William Buxton.
 35th and 36th—1543, William Brown, senior, and Robert Flingaunt.
 36th and 37th—1544, Benjamin Clere and Augustine Beriff.
 37th and 38th—1545, Robert Leche and Thomas Reve.

EDWARD VI.

- 38th and 1st—1546, George Seyer and Robert Browne, junior.
 1st and 2nd—1547, John Cristemas and John Beste.
 2nd and 3rd—1548, Benjamin Clere and Robert Flyngaunt.

EDWARD VI.

- 3rd and 4th—1549, Robert Leche and Thomas Dybney.
 4th and 5th—1550, John Beriff and John Stone.
 5th and 6th—1551, John Beste and William Motte.

MARY.

- 6th and 1st—1552, George Seyer and Robert Maynard.
 1st and 2nd—1553, Benjamin Clere and John Maynard.

PHILIP AND MARY.

- 1st and 2nd—1554, John Beriff and John Dibney.
 2nd and 3rd—1555, George Seyer and William Strachie.
 3rd and 4th—1556, Robert Browne and Robert Maynard.
 4th and 5th—1557, John Beste and John Maynard.
 5th and 6th—1558, Benjamin Clere and William Mott.

ELIZABETH.

- 1st and 2nd—1559, George Seyer and John Beast.
 2nd and 3rd—1560, Robert Brown and Robert Northen.
 3rd and 4th—1561, John Maynerd and Robert Myddelton.
 4th and 5th—1562, Benjamin Clere and Robert Lambe.
 5th and 6th—1563, George Sayer and John Beaste.
 6th and 7th—1564, Robert Myddleton and Richard Northey.
 7th and 8th—1565, Benjamin Clere and Nicholas Clere.
 8th and 9th—1566, John Maynard and Robert Northen.
 9th and 10th—1567, George Sayer and John Beast.
 10th and 11th—1568, Robert Myddleton and Robert Lambert.
 11th and 12th—1569, Robert Northen and Richard Northey.
 12th and 13th—1570, Benjamin Clere and John Fowle.
 13th and 14th—1571, John Beast and Thomas Turner.
 14th and 15th—1572, Robert Lambert and Thomas Lawrence.
 15th and 16th—1573, John Pye and William Symson.
 16th and 17th—1574, Thomas Turnour and Richard Thurston.
 17th and 18th—1575, Benjamin Clere and Robert Mott.
 18th and 19th—1576, Robert Lambert and Thomas Lawrence.
 19th and 20th—1577, John Pye and John Hunwyck.
 20th and 21st—1578, Richard Thurston, and Nicholas Clere, who died, and William Turnour elected.
 21st and 22nd—1579, Robert Mott and Thomas Cock.
 22nd and 23rd—1580, Thomas Lawrence and Richard Lambert.
 23rd and 24th—1581, Robert Lambert and John Pye.
 24th and 25th—1582, John Hunwyck and John Byrde.
 25th and 26th—1583, William Turnour and Robert Byrde.
 26th and 27th—1584, Robert Mott and Thomas Cock.
 27th and 28th—1585, Thomas Lawrence and Richard Lambert.
 28th and 29th—1586, John Pye and William Carnesbie.
 29th and 30th—1587, John Byrde and Thomas Barlowe.
 30th and 31st—1588, Robert Bird and Martin Bessell.
 31st and 32nd—1589, Robert Mott and Thomas Cokke.
 32nd and 33rd—1590, John Pye and Thomas Reynolde.
 33rd and 34th—1591, Thomas Lawrence and Ralph Northey.
 34th and 35th—1592, Thomas Haselwoode and William Dibney.
 35th and 36th—1593, John Hunwick and John Byrde.
 36th and 37th—1594, Robert Mott and Martin Bessell.
 37th and 38th—1595, Thomas Haselwood and Henry Osborne.
 38th and 39th—1596, Ralph Northey and Thomas Ingram.
 39th and 40th—1597, Thomas Raynolde and William Turner.

BAILIFFS—*continued.*

ELIZABETH.

40th and 41st—1598, Richard Synnall and Robert Wade.
 41st and 42nd—1599, Robert Motte and Thomas Heckforde.
 42nd and 43rd—1600, Martin Bessell and Henry Osborne.
 43rd and 44th—1601, John Birde and Ralph Northey.

JAMES I.

44th and 1st—1602, William Turner and Robert Wade.
 1st and 2nd—1603, Thomas Haselwood and Richard Synnall.
 2nd and 3rd—1604, Martin Bessell and Thomas Heckford.
 3rd and 4th—1605, Henry Osborne and Nicholas Clere.
 4th and 5th—1606, John Bird and Ralph Northey.
 5th and 6th—1607, Thomas Haselwood and William Mott.
 6th and 7th—1608, „ and Thomas Thurston.
 7th and 8th—1609, Robert Wade and John Eldred.
 8th and 9th—1610, Martin Bessell and Nicholas Clere.
 9th and 10th—1611, Thomas Heckford and William Turner.
 10th and 11th—1612, Henry Osborne and Robert Talcott.
 11th and 12th—1613, Thomas Thurston and John Coxe.
 12th and 13th—1614, William Turner and William Mott.
 13th and 14th—1615, Thomas Haselwood and John Marshall.
 14th and 15th—1616, Thomas Thurston and William Hall.

JAMES I.

15th and 16th—1617, John Coxe and Henry Barrington.
 16th and 17th—1618, William Turner and Robert Talcott.
 17th and 18th—1619, Martin Bessell and John Marshall.
 18th and 19th—1620, Thomas Heckford and John Norton.
 19th and 20th—1621, William Mott and Thomas Thurston.
 20th and 21st—1622, Robert Talcott and John Coxe.
 21st and 22nd—1623, John Eldred and Geoffrey Langley.
 22nd and 23rd—1624, John Marshall and John Norton.

CHARLES I.

1st and 2nd—1625, Sigismund Sewell and Daniel Cole.
 2nd and 3rd—1626, Robert Talcott and John Badcock.
 3rd and 4th—1627, William Mott and Francis Burrowes.
 4th and 5th—1628, Daniel Cole and William Johnson.
 5th and 6th—1629, John Marshall and Henry Barrington.
 6th and 7th—1630, John Norton and Thomas Wade.
 7th and 8th—1631, Robert Talcott and Sigismund Sewell.
 8th and 9th—1632, John Badcock and Robert Buxton.
 9th and 10th—1633, Thomas Wade and John Langley.
 10th and 11th—1634, Daniel Cole and Ralph Harrison.

Mayors.

A List of the Mayors taken from the Assembly Books of the Corporation :—

1635, Daniel Cole,—sworn	July 22.	1656, John Vickers	September 30.
1636, Robert Buxton	October 25.	1657, Nicholas Beason	October 6.
1637, Henry Barrington	December 12.	1658, Henry Barrington	October 5.
1638, John Furlie	October 3.	1659, John Radhams	July 20.
1639, John Langley	October 17.	1659, Thos. Peeke.. ..	October 4.
1640, Robert Talcott	October 9.	1660, John Gale	October 2.
1641, Henry Barrington	August 30.	1661, John Milbank	October 9.
1641, Thos. Wade	November 5.	1662, Henry Lambe	August 12.
1642, Ralph Harrison	October 10.	1662, Thos. Rennolds	September 30.
1643, Thomas Lawrence	October 9.	1663, William Moor	October 9.
1644, John Cox	October 7.	1664, Thos. Wade.. ..	October 10.
1645, Robert Buxton	October 2.	1665, Thos. Talbot	December 14.
1646, John Langley	October 1.	1666, Wm. Flannar	October 20.
1647, William Cooke	October 4.	1667, Andrew Fromanteele	October 9.
1648, Henry Barrington	October 9.	1668, Ralph Creffield	October 9.
1649, Thomas Wade	October 9.	1669, Henry Lambe	October 9.
1650, John Furlie	October 9.	1670, Wm. Moore	October 10.
1651, Richard Greene	October 9.	1671, John Rayner	October 9.
1652, John Radhams	October 5.	1672, Nathaniel Lawrence	October 9.
1653, Thos. Peeke.. ..	October 4.	1673, Ralph Creffield	October 9.
1654, Thos. Reynolds	October 3.	1674, Henry Lambe	October 9.
1655, Thos. Lawrence	January 20.	1675, Alexander Hindmers	October 9.

MAYORS—*continued.*

1676, Thos. Greene	October 9.	1726, Matthew Martin	October 4.
1677, Ralph Creffield	October 9.	1727, Sir Ralph Creffield, Knt.	October 3.
1678, John Rayner	October 1.	1728, John Blatch.. ..	October 1.
1679, Nathaniel Lawrence	October 9.	1729, James Boys	September 29.
1680, Ralph Creffield	October 9.	1730, Joseph Duffield	September 29.
1681, Wm. Moore.. ..	October 10.	1731, John Blatch.. ..	September 29.
1682, Thos. Greene	October 9.	1732, Thos. Carew.. ..	September 29.
1683, Nathaniel Lawrence	October 9.	1733, James Boys	September 29.
1684, John Stilleman	October 9.	1734, Joseph Duffield	September 29.
1685, Wm. Flanner	October 2.	1735, John Blatch.. ..	September 29.
1686, Samuel Mott	October 5.	1736, Thos. Carew.. ..	September 29.
1687, Alexander Hindmers	October 4.	1737, James Boys	September 29.
1687, John Milbank	February 27.	1738, Joseph Duffield	September 29.
1688, Ditto .. ..	.. ..	1739, John Blatch.. ..	September 29.
1689, John Potter.. ..	September 29.	1740, Jeremiah Daniell	March 9.
1690, Benjamin Cock	October 9.	[From the year 1740 to 1763, there being no Charter in existence, no Mayor could be appointed.]	
1691, John Seabrook	September 29.	1763, Thos. Clamtreo	October 31.
1692, John Stileman	September 4.	1764, Henry Lodge	September 29.
1693, Samuel Mott	October 6.	1765, Thos. Wilshire	September 29.
1694, Wm. Moore.. ..	October 9.	1766, Thos. Bayles	September 29.
1695, John Beason	October 9.	1767, Samuel Ennew	September 29.
1696, John Seabrooke	August 25.	1768, James Robjert	September 29.
1696, Nathaniel Lawrence, jun.	October 18.	1769, Jordan Harris Lisle	September 29.
1697, Ralph Creffield, jun.	September 29.	1770, John King	September 29.
1698, Wm. Boys	November 29.	1771, Solomon Smith	September 29.
1699, Wm. Francis	October 9.	1772, Thos. Clamtreo	January 2.
1700, John Potter.. ..	October 7.	1772, Thos. Bayles	September 29.
1701, Samuel Fetherstone	October 9.	1773, Thos. Clamtreo	September 29.
1702, Ralph Creffield, jun.	October 9.	1774, John Baker	September 29.
1703, Samuel Angier	October 9.	1775, John King	July 31.
1704, Nathaniel Lawrence, jun.	September 5.	1775, Thos. Clamtreo	September 29.
1705, John Rainham	October 9.	1776, Thos. Boggis	September 29.
1706, James Lawrence	October 19.	1777, Thos. Clamtreo	September 29.
1707, George Clark	October 9.	1778, John King	September 29.
1708, John Pepper	October 9.	1779, Thos. Clamtreo	September 29.
1709, Nathaniel Lawrence, sen.	July 18.	1780, Thos. Boggis	September 29.
1709, Samuel Angier	October 10.	1781, John King	September 29.
1710, Nathaniel Lawrence, jun.	September 29.	1782, Stephen Betts	December 5.
1711, James Lawrence	October 9.	1783, Wm. Seabor.. ..	September 29.
1712, Peter Johnson	October 7.	1784, Samuel Ennew	December 2.
1713, James Lawrence	October 9.	1785, Edmund Lilley	September 29.
1714, George Clark	October 9.	1786, Wm. Argent	September 29.
1715, Peter Johnson	October 5.	1787, Edward Capstack	September 29.
1716, Sir Isaac Rebow, Knt.	October 2.	1788, Bezaliel Angier	September 29.
1717, Thos. Grigson	October 1.	1789, Edmund Lilley	September 29.
1718, Robert Clarke	September 30.	1790, Wm. Swinborne	September 29.
1719, Thos. Grigson	October 6.	1791, John Gibson.. ..	September 29.
1719, Nathaniel Lawrence	February 3.	1792, Nathaniel Barlow	December 15.
1720, Jeremiah Daniell	October 4.	1793, Newton Tills	September 29.
1721, Arthur Winsley	October 3.	1794, Wm. Phillips	September 29.
1722, Edmund Raynham	October 2.	1795, Wm. Bunnell	October 6.
1723, Samuel Jarrold	October 1.	1796, Wm. Mason.. ..	September 29.
1724, Peter Johnson	October 6.		
1725, Jeremiah Daniell	October 5.		

MAYORS --continued.

1797, Thos. Hedge	September 29.
1798, Wm. Phillips	September 29.
1799, Robert Hewes	September 29.
1800, Wm. Smith	September 29.
1801, Thos. Hedge	September 29.
1802, Wm. Phillips	September 29.
1803, Wm. Bunnell	September 29.
1804, Thos. Hedge	September 29.
1805, Wm. Sparling	September 29.
1806, Wm. Smith	September 29.
1807, Thos. Hedge, jun.	September 28.
1808, Thos. Hedge	September 29.
1809, Wm. Smith	September 29.
1810, Francis Tillett Abell	September 29.
1811, Francis Smythies	September 29.
1812, John Bridge	September 29.
1813, Wm. Smith	May 2.
1813, Wm. Sparling	September 29.
1814, John King	September 29.
1815, Edwd. Clay	September 29.
1816, Wm. Argent	September 29.
1817, Edward Clay	September 29.
1818, Wm. Argent	September 29.
1819, Francis Tillett Abell	September 29.
1820, John Clay	September 29.
1821, Jas. Boggis	September 29.
1822, Wm. Smith	September 29.
1823, John Clay	September 29.
1824, Samuel Clay	September 29.
1825, John Clay	September 29.
1826, Edward Clay (St. Leonard's)	September 29.
1827, John Clay	September 29.
1828, Wm. Sparling	September 29.
1829, Edward Clay (Greenstead)	September 29.
1830, Wm. Smith	September 29.
1831, Wm. Sparling	September 29.
1832, Edward Clay (Greenstead)	September 29.
1833, Wm. Smith	September 30.
1834, Roger Nunn	September 29.

[Dr. Nunn held office till 31st Dec., 1835, when the Municipal Reform Act came into operation.]

MAYORS subsequent to the passing of the Act for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in England and Wales. 5th and 6th WM. IV., cap. 76. Taken from the Minute Books of the Council.

1836, Geo. Savill	January 1.
1836, John Chaplin	November 9.
1837, Samuel Green Cooke	November 9.
1838, Geo. Bawtree	November 9.
1839, Samuel Green Cooke	November 9.
1840, Thos. Josh. Turner	November 9.
1841, Henry Vint	November 9.
1842, Roger Nunn	November 9.
1843, Henry Vint	November 9.
1844, Henry Wolton	November 9.
1845, Henry Wolton	November 10.
1846, Wm. Bolton Smith	November 9.
1847, Henry Wolton	November 9.
1848, Chas. Henry Hawkins	November 9.
1849, Edward Williams	November 9.
1850, Joseph Cooke	November 9.
1851, Arthur Louis Laing	November 10.
1852, Francis Smythies	November 9.
1853, Henry Wolton	November 9.
1854, Edward Williams	November 9.
1855, Joseph Cooke	November 9.
1856, Henry Wolton	November 10.
1857, Peter Martin Duncan	November 9.
1858, Arthur Louis Laing	November 9.
1859, Edward Williams	November 9.
1860, Francis Smythies	November 9.
1861, Henry Wolton	November 9.
1862, Edward Williams	November 10.
1863, John Fitzsimmons Bishop	November 9.
1864, John Fitzsimmons Bishop	November 9.
1865, Chas. Henry Hawkins	November 9.

Calendar of the Court Rolls.

4TH AND 5TH EDWARD II.

Fourteen Rolls of this year remain ; two more, probably, have been lost.

They contain the entries of the Plaints, Pleadings, Essoigns, &c., in the Law Hundred Court of the Town, beginning with that of the Monday after Michaelmas in the 4th year.

The other matters entered on or referred to on the Rolls for this year are—

First. The Leet Inquest after Michaelmas in the 4th year, on Roll 1, and the Hilary Leet on the 6th Roll. No record of a Leet on “Hokeday,” as in subsequent years.

Second. Admission of Burgesses. There are nine of this year, of which the first is as follows :—

“Martin Marshall, of Colchester, entered into the Burgage of Colchester, same day, and touching the Holy Scriptures, swore fealty to the Town, and to keep it indemnified from all damages to arise through him, and for the greater security found pledges, Elias, son of John, William Sartor, Joseph Elianor, and Roger Tincter. Fine 2 shillings.”

All the rest are precisely similar in form ; the parties admitted were—

John Hofot,	no address,	fine, 40 pence.
Richard Musse, Miller,	”	” 40 ”
Philip Rokele,	Wykes,	” half a mark.
William Fysch,	Holbroke,	” ”
Henry Miller,	no address,	” ”
William Havek,	”	” ”
Simon de Donyland,	”	” 8 shill ^s . and 2 pence.
William de Firmary,	”	” half a mark.

Third. The Tolls were demised at Michaelmas to two parties at £35 the year. Demise on Roll 1.

Fourth. There are two ordinances which are considered sufficiently important for special entry. The first is on Roll 11.

“Ordinance by a full Assembly of the Burgesses of Colchester touching the maintenance of the liberties of the Town,” directing certain parties to make return

to a Writ obtained by the Bishop of London claiming quittance of Toll for himself and his men of Chelmsford, traversing such claim. This is assented to by twenty-six persons, whose names are recorded.

The other is on the 14th Roll.

“ Agreed and ordained that Richard Musse and his companions, taken by the [Gate] Keepers and Constables in Head (Heved) Street, as thieves, be kept securely in prison until the next Gaol Delivery, no bail to be taken for them.”

And the names of twenty-two Burgesses are recorded as present, “ with others,” not named.

Fifth. On the 11th Roll it is recorded that four Constables were elected, one for each Ward, “ according to the Statute of Winton.”

Sixth. There are only two records on these Rolls of transfers of real property ; both relate to Feoffments, and there is no record of a Will.

In the first, Amicia Colyn, a Widow, quitted claim to Saher de Doniland of her right in certain premises in the Market of Colchester, which Jordan Olyver had devised to her mother for her life, and after her death to the said Amicia. Roll 4.

In the other case, Matilda, the wife of John Seaman, of Stanwey, in full Hundred acknowledged conveyance by her husband and herself to William le Gerdler, to have been made with her free will without any coercion of her husband. Roll 6, dorse.

5TH AND 6TH EDWARD II.

There are thirteen Rolls remaining for this year. It is noted on the back of one that there were originally sixteen Rolls, so that three, extending from early in August to Michaelmas in the sixth year, are lost.

The matters contained on these Rolls, in addition to the Plaints and Pleas, are as follow :—

First. The Leet Inquest after Michaelmas on Rolls 1 and 2, the Hilary Inquest on Roll 6, the Hokeday Leet on Roll 9.

Second. The Admissions of Burgesses are in the same form as in the previous year, and amount to twelve. They are—

William Lucas,	no address,	fine, one mark.
Richard de Essex	”	” ”
John le Bowyer,	Dedham,	” five shillings.
William Pardoun,	no address,	” forty pence.
Alan Pastour,	”	” ten shillings.
Thomas Ferthing,	of Colchester, Apparitor,	” two ”
John de Saling,	no address,	” none received.

William de Cosford,	no address,	fine, half a mark.
William le Roos,	”	” none noted.
Henry Algod,	Wykes,	” ten shillings.
Philip Cissor,	same day. Donyland,	” ” ”
John Crowe,	no address,	” two shillings.

Third. Tolls demised to Henry Seffar for £35 for the year.

Fourth. No Special Ordinances this year, but there are a few Grants of small pieces of land, apparently pieces of waste or vacant ground, at a small annual rent.

Fifth. There is again an appointment of Constables according to the Statute of Winton, Roll 8, and the references to Corporate Officers are numerous. An Inquest of Weights and Measures is taken before the Coroner and Bailiffs (Roll 4); a distraint is made by William Nichodemus, who is called a Serjeant of the Town (Roll 5); a deputy was elected in the place of Richard Pegon, one of the Serjeants, until the same Richard was convalescent (Roll 10).

Sixth. There are no records of either Deeds or Wills this year.

Seventh. The Grants by the Community are as follow :—

Grant and demise to Walter le Trumper of a vacant place on the South side of his Tenement (it does not state where), four feet in breadth and the length of his house, to build a pale thereon, paying yearly fourpence at Easter.

Alice, widow of Walter Opethewalle, the next place, length and breadth the same, rent 3 pence, at same time.

William Opethewalle the next place, at 4 pence.

Roger Alfred agreed to pay 2 pence yearly for an Encroachment at Stanwell.

William Pope Chaplain a pale before his house in Maydenburgh at a penny rent.

John Lamb, a vacant place in the Market to build a Stall, 12 feet long and 6 feet broad, paying 12 pence rent.

Elias, son of John, of Serjeant, ingress and egress by a certain place, now of Sayer de Doniland, sometime of Jordan, son of Olyver, from the Market into the Court of Pleas, for fourpence yearly rent.

3RD AND 4TH EDWARD III.

After the lapse of seventeen years, a small part of the Rolls, from Michaelmas, 1329, to 1330, is preserved. Five Rolls, commencing with Michaelmas, continue in regular order till the Monday after Hokeday; a portion of another Roll for the early part of April, and with entries relating to Courts in August and September, is all that remains of the rest.

All the Courts entered on this Roll are either entitled Law Hundred Courts, and held on a Monday, or Pleas of Colchester when held on other days. No Thursday or Foreign Courts are noticed. In addition to Plaints and Pleas I note the following :—

First. The Leet Inquest after Michaelmas appears on Roll 1, and that for Hilary on 3.

Second. The admission of Burgesses is now by a more elaborate form. The first entry is as follows :—

“ William de Redyng entered into the Burgage of Colchester, and, touching the Holy Evangelists, swore to bear fealty to the Lord Edward, King of England, and his heirs, with life and members, and also to the Borough of Colchester, and faithfully to maintain and advance the liberties of the same with body and chattels ; that he will obey the reasonable orders of the Bailiffs, and will faithfully conceal counsels touching the said Borough, and that he will keep the same Borough indemnified. And he gave the Community for a fine for his admission ten shillings, and found pledges.”

There are ten other admissions at a uniform fine of ten shillings.

Third. No record of demise of Tolls, nor of any Ordinances made or Officers elected.

Fourth. Two releases and two Wills are recorded.

Roll 1. Henry Woderove, and Joan his wife, to William Stephen, of Bentley, of all that Messuage, &c., in the Subnrbs of Colchester, at New Hythe, in the parish of St. Leonard's.

Roll 5. Testament of John Tinctor so far as relates to lay fee, proved by the Executors before the Bailiff's in full Hundred, devising Messuage, &c., in Cheldewelle Field and East Street, in the Suburbs, and East medowe and a stall in the market.

Roll 6. Testament of John, son of John Maymond, as to a Messuage in East Street in the Suburbs.

Richard, son of Edmund le Chaloner, and Joan his daughter, released and quitted claim to Robert Palat, his heirs and assigns, in two acres and a half of land in Sigenefield, in the Suburbs beyond North bridge.

The Oath Book, fo. 2, contains a note of a grant of a small encroachment, by the Bailiff's and Community, to Roger Bellholt, stated to be on Roll 7, now lost.

7TH AND 8TH EDWARD III.

Twelve Rolls remain for this year, two or three are lost. The Law Hundred Courts, with but two or three exceptions, were held on the Monday, in the excepted cases on the Friday.

First. The Leet Rolls will be found on Roll 1 for Michaelmas, on the 4th for Hilary, and on the 7th for Hokeday.

Second. The Burgesses' Admissions continue in the same form ; eight admissions remain recorded at a uniform fine of ten shillings.

Third. No demise of Tolls, nor election of Officers, recorded.

Fourth. The Conveyances, Wills, and Grants recorded are as follows:—

Roll 2. Emma, daughter of Robert Thurston, of Miland, releases to Warren, son of William, of Colchester, and Henry Oateson, a Moiety of a Messuage, fourteen acres of land, four acres of Meadow and five acres of Wood, at Miland.

Roll 6. Will of Saher the Pedder, by which he directed an acre of land in the Suburbs, called Stadaere, a Moor at Cheldewell, and the house he dwelt in, to be sold by his executors.

Roll 7. William, son of John atte Hidyeh, and John, son of Robert the Tailor, granted to John Springold all that Messuage, &c., in All Saints, belonging to them by right of heirship after the death of Joan and Alice, daughters and heirs of John de Burstall, of Colchester. Paying to the Church of All Saints sixpence every year, in equal portions at Michaelmas and Easter.

Roll 10. Edmund Carnifex surrendered into the hands of the Bailiffs a Butcher's Stall in the Market, which he held of the Community by service of 2 shillings per annum, to the use of Adam the Solvhaler, Butcher. The Community granted and demised the same Stall to the said Adam at the same rent at Hokeday, paying a fine of sixpence.

The Bailiffs and Community granted and demised to Henry Oskeyn a vacant place at Maydenburgh next land pertaining to the Castle, opposite his house, twenty-eight feet long, eighteen feet broad, at a rent of twelvecpence yearly.

Roll 11. John le Chapman, and Joan his wife, Executors of John, son of Stephen Fullon, surrendered in full hundred into the hands of the Bailiffs one Shop in the Market under the Church of S^t. Runwald, held of them by a rent of 3 shillings and 8 pence. To the use of John Torold, to whom the Bailiffs delivered seisin, he paying the same rent and a fine of sixpence.

On the same Roll judgment is given against a Burgess who had proceeded against another for a debt in the Court at Chelmsford in derogation of the liberties of the town. He was fined ten shillings and his freedom taken away, which, on submission, was restored.

10TH AND 11TH EDWARD III.

There are ten Rolls of this year, and the series appears complete.

First. The Leet Rolls will be found on the dorse of 1 for Michaelmas, the Hilary Inquest on 4, and that for Hokeday on 7.

Second. The Burgesses admitted numbered eight, the fine still being ten shillings each.

Third. The Assize of Bread, held the Monday after the Annunciation and the Wednesday after the Decollation of the Baptist, in March and August.

Fourth. The Conveyances and Testaments recorded are—

Roll 4 dorse. Testament of William Gylmyn, devising a house in Stok Welle Strete, and rents of Tenements in Hethe (Hythe) Street.

Roll 7. Testament of William atte Hoo, of Ardleye, devising a tenement in East Street.

Roll 8 dorse. Adam de Leyeester, son of John de Leyeester, granted to Henry his son his tenement in East Street, in the Suburbs, and a Moor there near Spital Lane. Also his Oyster Stall in the Market, and sixpence annual rent from a tenement of Adam de Castell, opposite the Cornhull, sometime of Armine the Jew, and a penny rent from a Shop of John Rokell in the Market, and fourpence from the tenement of William Sherman, in East Street, beyond the Bridge, annually. To hold according to the liberties and customs of the Burgh.

Roll 5. Henry Sprit surrendered into the hands of the Bailiffs and Commons a House next the South Scherd, opposite the tenement sometime of William the Trumppour, which he holds of the Community for fourpence rent, to the use of John Waryn; and the said Bailiffs delivered seisin

thereof to the said John, paying the same rent and a fine of threepence. And the said John demised the same to the said Henry for a year at ten shillings rent.

Roll 6. Felicia, who was the wife, and Joan the daughter, of John Raven, surrendered a certain place, with houses, &c., outside Northgate, which they held of the Community for a rent of one penny, to the use of John, son of Richard Clerk, to whom seisin was delivered by the Bailiffs, paying the rent and a fine of threepence.

William Cranmer to Richard le Povere a place by Headgate, rent sixpence, fine one shilling and sixpence.

Fifth. The Grants by the Corporation were—

Roll 2. Bailiffs and Community of Burgesses of the Burgh of Colchester demised to Ralph de Teye Chaplain the edifice and easement of the Old Chapel of S^t. Helen from Monday after S^t. Denis to Michaelmas for two shillings, rent to be paid at Hokeday.

Roll 3. They demise to Joseph Springold a certain vacant place within the Walls near Northgate, at twopence rent.

They demise to Ralph Sweyn a vacant place within Southgate, next his tenement, held of the Community, paying twopence rent.

Roll 6. They grant to William de Maldon a vacant place within the Walls next the Postern Entry, called the South Scherd, on the East side of the same, paying eightpence annually.

They grant to Philip Parlebren, Fuller, a vacant place outside the Southsherd, opposite his house, paying fourpence rent.

They grant to Walter le Rede two drains at Grodenasse, within the River and Water pertaining to the said town, viz., one for flowing and the other for ebbing, which John Thomas sometime held, rent twelvecpence per annum, fine fourpence.

Roll 8. They grant to John de Wiltshire a vacant place within the Walls, next place held by Ralph Swayn of the Community at a yearly rent of sixpence.

On same Roll the same John Wiltshire surrenders to the Bailiffs a vacant place in Wyre Street, which he holds of the Community at a rent of fourpence, to Ralph Sweyn, to whom seisin is delivered, he paying a fine of fourpence.

14TH AND 15TH EDWARD III.

Ten out of eleven Rolls remain, the seventh is lost.

First. The Leet Inquests are recorded, the Michaelmas one on Roll 1, Hilary on Roll 5. The lost Roll, 7, no doubt contained the Hokeday one.

Second. The Burgesses admitted were twenty-two, the fine still being ten shillings each.

Third. The Assize of Bread is recorded thrice: on the Thursday after St. Katherine (November 25th), the Saturday before Trinity, and the Friday in the Feast of St. Matthew (September 21st).

Fourth. There are no Wills, and the only Conveyances are:—

Roll 5 dorse. Surrender by John Salers of a place built on within the Walls at Eldelonde, to

the use of Agnes Miles, John her son, and Margery his sister, to whom scisin is delivered by the Bailiffs, they paying sixpence rent to the Community, and a fine of sixpence.

Roll 8. Richard le Barbour surrendered his Quay and Houses there built at New Hythe, sometime of Thomas de Dovercourt, holden of the Community at three shillings rent, to John Belch. Fine two shillings.

Roll 11. Elias le Herde, of Wyvenhoe, surrendered his tenement at New Hythe, held of the Community at fourpence rent, to the use of Henry Craft. Fine sixpence.

Fifth. The Grants this year were—

Roll 6. To John Baker, Cobbler, of a vacant place next Suthgate, on the East side, for threepence rent.

To Robert Basse, junior, a vacant place in South Street, in the Suburbs, at twopence rent.

Roll 10. To William de Hadley a vacant place in augmentation of his place, next the Pit of St. Helen, which was John de Coggs, Fuller, at twopence rent.

19TH AND 20TH EDWARD III.

Rolls 11 and 13 are lost. Twelve Rolls remain.

First. The Leet Inquests appear on the 2nd, 5th and 9th Rolls.

Second. The Burgesses' Admissions amount to twenty-two, the fine still ten shillings.

Third. John atte Halle, senior, the farmer of the Tolls for this year, took an oath, recorded on the first Roll, for the due performance of his Office, and the due payment of his rent of thirty-five pounds per annum.

Fourth. The only recorded Assize of Bread was on Friday after the Feast of the Conception of the Virgin.

Fifth. A Conveyance of Property at Stanway and other places is recorded.

The Testament of Richard de Colne proved, by which a Messuage and two Shops in the Market, a Curtilage next Culver Lane, two acres of Land next Shrebbie Street, four acres of Land next Sholond, in the Suburbs, three acres next Shrebbie, an acre lying at Waterfurgh, in the Suburbs, and seven acres in the Suburbs, are devised. Roll 4.

Roll 8. The Testament of John de Fordham, devising a Messuage in Head Street, Houses held of the Community, one called Colhawegate, and a parcel of garden at the back, two acres of land in Laeyeseroft, and two acres next Little Sholond, a Stable in the Market, a Messuage in Head Street, ten acres called Bonytones Land.

Dorse of same Roll. Testament of John le Jay, of La Milaund, devising lands there.

Sixth. The Grants were—

Roll 2. To William Briht, of Bromley, a vacant place at Houndepet, in the Suburbs, paying twopence rent.

Roll 3. To John Clerkson, junior, a place under the Stone Wall of Colchester, outside Northgate, at the back of his shop, paying annually threepence.

Roll 4. To John le Rede, junior, a place opposite his house at New Hythe, paying twopence rent.

24TH AND 25TH EDWARD III.

Not a fragment remains of the Rolls of the year of the great pestilence, on which it is said one hundred and twenty wills were recorded, and but one Roll of the succeeding year, the 24th and 25th, and that is in an almost illegible state. It is the third Roll of the year, and contains the proceedings of the Law Hundred Court the Monday after St. Peter and St. Paul (June 29th), of the Monday after the translation of St. Thomas (July 3rd), and ends with that before St. Lawrence's Day (August 10th).

It contains the Testament of John, son of Nicholas le Dyer, made in 1349, devising his tenement in which he dwelt, adjoining land of the Prior of St. Mary Magdalen.

25TH AND 26TH EDWARD III.

Eight Rolls remain, the last being dated in September, so that not more than one Roll is lost.

First. The Leet Inquests are on the 1st, 3rd and 6th Rolls.

Second. The Burgesses admitted were ten, at the fine of ten shillings each.

Third. Roger Belch, the farmer of the Tolls, takes the oath and agrees to pay £35. His oath is followed by that of the three Serjeants elect. Roll 1.

Fourth. The Assize of Bread is taken three times this year; the beginning of July twice, and once at the end of August.

Fifth. The Wills and Conveyances are—

Roll 4. The Testament of John Lotoun, devising his house, which extended from a Lane called Master Jonys Lane South, to the Market North.

The Testament of Aliee, his wife, devising some premises.

Joan, Widow of William Balle, of Peldon, produced a Deed whereby deceased's son John released all his right and title to a Tenement situate between East Stokwell Street and West Stokwell Street to her for her life.

Roll 5. Adam Saburgh, and Aliee, his wife, grant to Richard Paeke their Moor near Middelmelne.

Robert Gest, of Wykes, and Agnes, his wife, granted to John Lavenham Chaplain and Peter Waweyn, Messuage, &c., in Hythe Street, sometime Bartholomew Bygod's.

William atte Broke, of Dedham, and Matilda, his wife, release to William de Brome a Messuage, &c., in the Market, formerly John Arwesmyht.

William Capon, and Cristiana his wife, release to Geoffrey Dawes divers annual rents in Colchester.

John Frere grants to same Geoffrey two acres, one called Long Acre and the other Crabtree Acre, in the Suburbs, near the Magdalen.

Roll 4. Thomas Juseard Chaplain granted to same Geoffrey Dawes a piece of land lying in the Croft called Marchalysland, in the Suburbs, near the Magdalen.

Roll 7. Testament of John atte Hache devising his stall in the flesh market to Joan his wife.

Releases by Joan Balle and John, son of William Balle, of the premises in East and West Stokwell Street before referred to.

Roll 8. Thomas Wythemershe, and Petronilla his wife, granted to William le Wreyhte, of Stanwey, their Messuage next "le North Sherd," said Petronilla, duly acknowledging same deed.

Felicia Joyes is mentioned as having become a Burgess in the 29th Edward III. ; she is frequently named in this Roll.

27TH AND 28TH EDWARD III.

The series of this year complete—there are fourteen Rolls.

First. The Leet Inquests are on Rolls 1, 5, and 10.

Second. Fifty Burgesses admitted at ten shillings.

Third. The Demise of Tolls to Simon Loton is on the back of the first Roll, rent £35 ; as is now usual, the Oath of the three Serjeants elect follows it.

Fourth. The Assize of Bread was taken in February (Roll 4), and August (Roll 13).

Fifth. The following are all the Testaments and Deeds enrolled—

Roll 3. Testament of Warin Parker devising tenement and Shop in S^t. Runwald's, a piece of land opposite the "Great School," three acres opposite the land called Bradeston, two acres lying next "Portes Pightle," to be sold for endowing a Chantry in S^t. Runwald, and two Granges in East Stokwell Street.

Roll 4. William Somenour, and Joan, his wife, released two Tenements under one roof in North Street, which formerly belonged to Henry Horsepet, the former husband of the said Joan, to Adam, son of Warin, son of William John Parson, of S^t. Runwald, and William Holton and their heirs, &c.

30TH AND 31ST EDWARD III.

Complete in fourteen Rolls.

First. The Leet Inquests are on Rolls 1, 5, and 9.

Second. Fifteen Burgesses admitted, fourteen at ten shillings and one on statement that he was born in the liberties, duly proved, and, on his petition, without payment.

Third. The Tolls demised to Robert atte Ford and another for £35. 6s. 8d.

Fourth. The Assize of Bread was taken on August 11.

Fifth. The Deeds and Testaments are—

Roll 7. Geoffrey le Dyer, and Christian, his wife, grant to Katherine, wife of John Bayn, all that Shop, &c., in the Market, in S^t. Runwald's.

John Aldburton, Tanner, and Agnes, his wife, to John Pebemersh, Baker, two Shops and a vacant place in S^t. Peter's.

Roll 9. Testament of John Weston, devising his new building opposite Cornhell, in the Market, and two Shops, with Sollar over them, and piece of land adjoining, in the end of the Castle Ditch.

Testament of Gilbert Pyggeslee, of New Hythe, devising his Messuage there.

Joan, widow of John Arwesmyth, granted to Geoffrey Dawe a Meadow containing three acres, adjoining the Highway leading to New Hythe.

Roll 11. John Pekok, late Arwesmyth, granted to same Geoffrey all that tenement and Garden at New Hythe, near the New Hall.

John Finch surrendered a Fish Stall opposite the Tavern Door of Robert Fraunceys to the same Robert, to hold of the Community, at a Rent of fourpence.

Roll 12. Testament of Edmund in the Fenne devising his Tenement in Hythe Street.

Roll 14. John Frere to Geoffrey Dawe, of Long Aere and Crabbes Aere.

Richard Denham, and Philippa, his wife, released all claim to the House which Geoffrey Dawe inhabits near the New Hall at New Hythe, and adjoining Saltmeadow, to him.

Sixth. The Demises and Grants by the Corporation are—

Roll 12. To Robert atte Gate the Messuage called Kyrcolles, standing on the North Wall of the Town.

Roll 13. Demise to Roger Horkeslegh, Tanner, of a small piece of land outside Northgate, at a place called the "Ordylpet." (No rent stated.)

Roll 14. He surrendered same, and it was re-granted to him in fee on payment of two shillings fine.

Three Apprenticeship Indentures are entered on Roll 3, the first given at full length.

33RD AND 34TH EDWARD III.

The Rolls of this year are complete, nineteen in number.

First. The Leet Inquests are on 1, 6 and 11.

Second. Twenty-one Burgesses' Admissions: twenty on payment of ten shillings, and one, John de le Rokele Clerk, gratis.

Third. The Tolls demised to Robert atte Forde for £35. The three Serjeants sworn at the same time.

Fourth. The Deeds and Wills enrolled follow.

Roll 3. Testament of William le Teyler, of Miland, Tenement and Land at Miland, and his land called Bipettesland.

Testament of Alice, his wife, of same property.

Roll 5. Testament of John Doraunt Goldsmith, devising Messuage, &c., in S^t. Nicholas.

Roll 6. Walter Cole, and Christiana, his wife, and others, surrender to Richard Wymbush and Andrew Pouchmaker a house at the corner of the field of Sholond, held of the Community at twopence rent. Fine two shillings.

Roll 9. Testament of Roger Horkeslegh devising Messuage in S^t. Peter's, Messuages, Tanhouses, Lands, &c., in Colchester, not more particularly described.

Roll 10. John, son of Geoffrey, son of Maur, releases to Simon Hadlegh, Messuage, &c., in East Street.

Roll 11. Testament of Adam Saburgh devising his dwelling-house in Colchester.

Roll 12. Ralph King, Mereer, and Joan his wife, to Simon Martin Dyer, Messuage, &c., in East Street, acknowledged by Joan.

Same parties other property in East Street, near East Meadow.

Roll 14. Testament of John Frere devising Tenement and Shops in Market, and his croft at Schrebbestreet, and two shops under the Church of S^t. Runwald.

Roll 16. Roger Bulbeck, and Margaret his wife, to Thomas Monem, Mereer, of two Cottages in the town, not further described.

Ralph Fuller surrendered a place of land at the East end of the Town to the use of Sampson Jernigon Fuller. (See further in the Grants.)

Roll 17. Testament of Nicholas le Herde of Tenement and two acres of land, his Croft called Gogeesfeld, his land called Quarmeslond, and Meadow called Otesbredemead.

Roll 18. Thomas Markeshall surrendered a place of Land at the Eldelond, in the end of Wyer Street, to the use of Matilda, his daughter ; rent sixpence, fine twelvecpence.

Roll 19. John Lucas Spicer, and Juliana his wife, to William de la Rokele Clerk, of a Tenement with a cellar under it in Saint Nicholas.

John de Bergholt, and Juliana his wife, to Alice, wife of John de Mokking, of London, of a Messuage formerly of John Fynch.

Fifth. The Corporation Grants this year are—

Roll 3. Demise to Robert Beeche Clerk of vacant place sometime of John Cogge-hall, lying on the Castle Ditch in length from a certain "*Hillera*," standing next the said Ditch at the north Head to the South Corner of the place of Robert Sage, at a rent of sixpence.

Roll 16. Grant by Deed under Common Seal to Sampson Jerigon, Fuller, of the place surrendered by Ralph Fuller.

At Roll 8 the Sub-Bailiff certified that "he cannot attach John, the son of Ralph Bygod, of Layr Marny, for a debt to John Glovere." A *capias* was issued returnable on the feast day of Saint Scolastica, on which day a similar certificate was made, and a further order made to take him before the Monday after St. Valentine, but no further proceedings appear. This was, no doubt, a scion of the great House of Bigod, one of whom declared "if he were in his Castle of Bongaye, he would ne care for the King of Cockeney."

34TH AND 35TH EDWARD III.

The only Rolls to be found of this year are the 7th, 8th, 9th, 14th, and 15th.

First. The Hilary Leet inquest alone remains.

Second. Three Burgesses admitted at ten shillings each.

Third. The Wills and Deeds recorded are—

Roll 7. John Waller, and Alice his wife, to Thomas Wagg, of Horningsherth, of a Messuage in Hythe Street, one head of which extended to Cheldewelle Field.

Roll 8. Testament of John le Deyer of a Messuage at Stanwell, his Moor adjoining under the Stone wall of the Town with tenements thereon, four acres of land towards the Hythe, a vacant place called Crogge's in North Street, a Messuage, &c., beyond North Bridge. His dwelling-house and Land called Palattes Croft, Land called Slaggeland, and his land called Goodyares hawe, Land called Wallcroft, and Moor called Marchals.

This was the year of the Second great Pestilence, and the above Will is the only one remaining of between thirty and forty proved during the year.

Roll 8. William Jay, and Margaret his wife, and others, to Roger Love, of Miland, of Messuage and Land there adjoining Kingswode heath, acknowledged by two married women.

John Savage, and Agnes his wife, grant to Robert atte Tangle, of Colue Engayne, Chaplain and others, a Tenement and Garden in S^t. Martin's, adjoining West Stokewell Street.

Roll 15. Thomas Beward surrendered to Bailiffs a piece of land within Northgate to the use of Robert atte Gate, held of the Community at one penny rent, fine twelvepence.

Fourth. The demises of the Corporation recorded—

Roll 9. To William Mace a vacant place opposite his house in Trinity Parish at a penny rent, fine sixpence.

38TH AND 39TH EDWARD III.

Numbered 1 to 15, of which No. 14 is lost.

First. Lect Inquests on 1, 3, and 8.

Second. Twelve Burgesses admitted at ten shillings.

Third. No demise of Tolls or Serjeants' elections.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in August on Roll 10.

Fifth. Deeds and Wills this year as follows :—

Roll 2. William, son of Adam atte Water, Tanner, to Richard Paccard, Merchant, House in North Street near the Way leading to the Hall of Lexden and Doresmeadow, in the Suburbs. Paccard demises to said William for three years, at twenty pounds rent.

Roll 3. John, son of Robert Abydon, and Agnes his wife, to John Ferthing a House next Head Gate to the West of it, extending to land of the Church of Saint Mary, acknowledged by said Agnes.

John Spug, and Katherine his wife, to William Capon, and Christiana his wife, Tenement and Garden in New Hythe.

Roll 4. John Wynyot, and Matilda his wife, to William Lamb, Messuage, &c., in Hythe Street.

Roll 6. Roger Devote to John Spug, Messuage, &c., in New Hythe.

Testament of Joan Branneche of Tenement in the Way of Maydenburgh, in S^t. Nicholas.

Roll 7. Stephen Coteler, of Ipswich, and Christiana his wife, to Richard Sadeler, of Hyntlesham, of a Messuage, &c., in the Way of Maydenburgh, next Castle Field.

Roll 8. John Spakeman, of Ardlegh, and Margaret his wife, to John Dannyld and another of Tenement in Hythe Street.

John Spake, of Codenham, and Margaret his wife, to Richard Paccard, Tenement and Garden in New Hythe.

Roll 14. William Wodehewer, of Ardlegh, and Christiana his wife, to Ralph Flixton, of Messuage in Suburbs.

Sixth. The Corporation demise :

Roll 15. To John de Copford, Chaplain, two places opposite Shop, &c., formerly of Richard de Copford, in the Market, to construct two poys.*

40TH AND 41ST EDWARD III.

The series complete in eighteen Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on Rolls 1, 6, and 11.

Second. Fourteen Burgesses made at ten shillings.

Third. No demise of Tolls or Serjeants' elections.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in March on Roll 10.

Fifth. Deeds and Wills recorded are—

Roll 2. Deed acknowledged by Joan, the wife of Thomas Lack, of Colchester.

Roll 3. The like by Agnes, wife of Richard Evesong.

Roll 5. Two by Katherine, wife of Robert Belamy.

Roll 8. One by Margery, wife of Thomas Lacy.

Roll 14. Testament of Roger Sycoler.

Roll 16. Testament of Geoffrey Chapman.

Sixth. Grants and Surrenders of Corporate Lands.

Roll 14. To John Boyn a place of Land North of the Tenement of Robert Cock, rent threepence, fine twelpepence.

Another piece at North Bridge, rent a penny, fine twelpepence.

Roll 18. John atte Ford surrendered a Messuage, &c., upon the Town Wall next Eldelond, to the use of Ralph Barker, Fuller. Fine twelpepence.

46TH AND 47TH EDWARD III.

Seventeen Rolls, an eighteenth lost.

First. Leet Inquests on Rolls 1, 6, and 11.

Second. Twenty-five Burgesses admitted, fine ten shillings.

Third. Demise of Tolls to Stephen Baron at £35. Roll 1.

Fourth. Assize of Bread taken in November (Roll 5) and June (Roll 14.)

* See also "Corporate Grants," 15 and 16 Richard II. The Poy seems to have been some projection in the nature of a Penthouse or Stall. In the examination of John Bulleyn of Stanway, Labourer, 8th Dec., 1567—"He went with other people "to Bere Church and supped there. And after supper this examine he thought to have gone home, and for that it "rayned he would not but went to *Mr. Smythe's poye*, his landlord, and satt him down and slept there untill three of the "clock in the morning," &c. "Examination Book," 4.

Fifth. The Acknowledgments were by—

- Roll 2. Christiana, wife of John Howlet.
 Christiana, wife of John Lucas.
 Roll 8. Isabella, wife of John Canon.
 Roll 10. Alice, wife of John Sayer
 Roll 16. Juliana, wife of John Grygge.

Sixth. The Wills proved were—

- Roll 9. Testament of John Soler.
 Roll 16. Testament of John Spug, of New Hythe.
 Testament of John Longeon.

48TH AND 49TH EDWARD III.

Numbered 1 to 20, of these Nos. 14 and 19 are lost.

First. Leet Inquests on Rolls 1 and 6. Hokeday one lost, was probably on 14.

Second. Sixteen Burgesses admitted at ten shillings.

Third. Tolls demised to Augustine Plomer at £35 and £6 13s. 4d. Three Serjeants elected and sworn. Roll 1.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in March (9) and June (17).

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 6. Elen, wife of Ralph Flixton.
 Philippa, wife of William Hunt.
 Roll 11. Joan, wife of John Mussell.

Sixth. Testaments.

- Roll 4. William Speller.
 Roll 5. William Prentys.
 Roll 17. Stephen Dober, Tanner.

On the dorse of 4 a number of men are presented for destroying the Oyster Brood.

50TH EDWARD III. AND 1 RICHARD II.

Numbered to 25, of which 1, 3, and 15 are lost.

First. Part of Leet Inquest for Michaelmas on Roll 2, Hilary on 9, Hokeday lost.

Second. Few Burgesses admitted, and again great variance in the amount of fines, as follow :—

				s.	d.
Roll 7.	Richard Parrok, of Horselegh	..	..	..	13 4
Roll 9.	Roger Chirchman	..	..	..	20 0
	John Lyndholt	..	..	..	24 0
	Thomas Warner	..	..	..	20 0

					£	s.	d.
Roll 12.	John Crabbe	..	..	..	..	20	0
	John Saney	..	..	..	..	20	0
	John atte Brooke	..	..	..	..	20	0
Roll 14.	John Skyrwhyte	..	..	..	..	40	0
Roll 20.	Ralph Algar	..	..	..	..	10	0 0
Roll 21.	Thomas Pycard	..	..	..	..	36	8
Roll 23.	William Gosse	..	..	..	..	36	8

Third. No demise of Tolls or election of Officers remaining, except of eight Auditors on Roll 2.

Fourth. Assize of Bread for December on Roll 12.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 12. Matilda, wife of — Sudbury.

Roll 18. Christiana, wife of John Smith, of Lexden.

Roll 20. Christiana, wife of Thomas Deynes.

Sixth. Testaments.

Roll 20. Robert Goode, Baker.

Roll 9. Thomas Horn.

Roll 14. Margery, Widow of Clement Dyer.

Roll 22. William Gerveys.

Seventh. Corporation Grants.

Roll 18. To Robert Ketil of vacant place next East Gate, Curtilage of Rectory of S^t. James West, Moor Street East.

2ND AND 3RD RICHARD II.

Twenty-eight Rolls, series complete.

First. Leet Inquests on Rolls 1, 9, and 18.

Second. Eighteen Burgesses admitted at following fines :—

					£	s.	d.
Roll 3.	John Morice	..	..	..	..	23	4
	John Daure	..	..	..	..	23	4
	William Holbech	..	..	..	..	23	4
Roll 7.	William Winde	..	..	..	..	4	0 0
	Thomas Gentelman	..	..	..	..	23	4
	William Bertelot	..	..	..	..	23	4
	John Newport	..	..	..	..	23	4
	John Chandeler	..	..	..	..	23	4
Roll 8.	John Cole Wayte	..	..	..	..	20	0

					s.	d.
Roll 9.	Richard Belew	..	..	..	..	23 4
Roll 11.	John Mynst..	..	..	..	..	23 4
	John Rokyngham	..	..	..	..	23 4
	Thomas Sawyere	..	..	..	..	23 4
	Walter Street, of Fingringho	..	..	..	..	23 4
Roll 13.	John Holderness	..	..	..	..	23 4
Roll 14.	Roger Spendlove	..	..	..	..	23 4
Roll 15.	John Warde	..	..	..	..	26 8
Roll 16.	Geoffrey Strange	..	..	..	..	23 4

There is nothing to indicate the reason of these variances.

Third. No demise of Tolls recorded ; Auditors' election on Roll 1, Serjeants on Roll 2.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in June, on Roll 22.

Fifth. Acknowledgments by married women.

Roll 2. Margaret, wife of Thomas Litelby.

Roll 5. Joan, wife of William Mayhew.

Roll 10. Mabel, wife of Edmund le Spencer.

Roll 9. Joan, wife of Thomas Pallat.

Roll 14. Agnes, wife of William Eastwood.

Roll 17. Katherine, wife of Hugh Bokenham.

Agnes, wife of Gilbert Bromeswold (Mortgage).

Roll 19. Agnes, wife of John Essex.

Sixth. The Testaments proved were—

Roll 5. Henry Barber.

Roll 23. Joan Fermery.

Roll 7. William Beste.

John Machon.

Roll 9. Agnes Ermegard.

Roll 27. John Aylwyn.

John Smart.

Roll 28. John Casp.

Seventh. Corporation Grants and Surrenders.

Roll 6. To Thomas Morkyn a certain vacant place in the end of East Street, opposite the place where the Gallows formerly stood, at a rent of two shillings.

Roll 18. John Champeneys surrendered a place of land next "Seynt Eleyne Pet," rent four shillings and threepence. To the use of John Plomer Fletcher.

Roll 25. To John Deynes a place of land next the Ditch, and opposite the Castle Ditch, rent fourpence.

On the dorse of Roll 10 is a Mortgage by two Deeds from one Simon Martin to John Aubrey and John Chereheman, Citizens and Merchants of London. The first Deed is an absolute Conveyance of the Property, and it is recorded that on its

production Martin was examined by the Bailiffs, and told them that he made it of his own free will, and that it was under the Conditions contained in the other Indenture between them then recorded "word for word." The first instance observed.

3RD AND 4TH RICHARD II.

Out of 37 Rolls Nos. 1, 3, 4, 7, 12, and 25 are lost.

First. Only the Hilary and Hokeday Leets are recorded, they are on Rolls 10 and 18.

Second. Eleven Burgesses admitted as follow :—

					s.	d.
Roll 6.	John Plomer	..	..	..	..	20 0
	John Aylmer, Brewer	..	..	..	..	23 4
Roll 9.	Thomas Morell	..	..	..	..	20 0
Roll 14.	John Kent, Carpenter	..	..	..	..	22 0
	John Kayntbregge	..	..	..	..	22 0
Roll 21.	John Hampton	..	..	..	..	40 0
Roll 17.	Thomas Terry	..	..	..	..	23 4
Roll 24.	Michael Annger, Town Clerk	..	..	..	..	nil.
Roll 27.	John Cristian	..	..	..	..	100 0
Roll 33.	William Cosham	..	..	..	..	26 8
Roll 34.	John Abel ..	..	..	..	..	22 0

Third. No demise of Tolls recorded. Three Serjeants elected by the twenty-four on second Roll.

Fourth. Assize of Bread Saturday before St. Gregory, Roll 15, and on the twenty-ninth of April on 20.

Fifth. The Acknowledgments are—

Roll 2.	Rose, wife of John Bentlegh.
Roll 15.	Alice, daughter of William, son of John atte Parke.
Roll 18.	Emma, wife of John Lyard.
Roll 26.	Cristiana, wife of Thomas Pyk.
Roll 29.	Alice, wife of John Organer.
Roll 34.	Joan, wife of Nicholas le Herde.

Sixth. The Testaments proved are—

Roll 10.	Richard Drory.	Roll 24.	John Draper.
Roll 13.	John Dannyld.		Roger Love.
Roll 15.	John Schipman.		Robert Beche Clerk.
Roll 18.	Mary, widow of Jeffery Haraas.	Roll 26.	William Bacon.
			John Pebemersh.

Seventh. The Corporation Grants are—

Roll 14. To John Myddelton of a void piece between the Messuage of John Seman, North, and of Alice Ry, South.

Roll 15. To Thomas Deynes a piece of land for three *Stulps*, or *Spores*, to carry a certain vine opposite the House of Clement Dyer, in North Street, rent twopence yearly.

Roll 22. To same Deynes a vacant place next the North River, at the North end of North Bridge, for two shillings.

Roll 36. To John Hamelyn a vacant place in East Ward, rent sixpence.

5TH AND 6TH RICHARD II.

There are 56 Rolls of this year, complete.

So great is the amount of litigation here recorded that as many as from thirty to forty Writs of Capias will be found taken out at a single Court. Some idea may be formed of the extent of litigation in this and a few succeeding years when it is stated that these Rolls are of considerable length and covered on both sides, and that the writing is extremely minute. The other subjects mentioned upon them are—

First. The Leet Inquests on Rolls 1, 15, and 29.

Second. Twenty-three Burgesses, whose fines are—

Ten at 20s. Two at 22s. Six at 26s. 8d. One at 30s. One at 40s. One at 53s. 4d. One at 60s. One at 80s.

Third. No demise of Tolls. Three Serjeants elected, Roll 1.

Fourth. Assize of Bread Tuesday after Palm Sunday, Roll 26.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 6. Joan, wife of Robert Peckham.

Isabella, wife of Robert Light.

Roll 49. Isabella, wife of Robert Light.

Roll 7. Matilda, wife of John Tymyot.

Roll 21. Juliana, wife of John Sominour.

Roll 26. Christiana, wife of Robert Thomas.

Roll 36. Emma, wife of Robert Herring, Mortgage.

Roll 49. Alice, wife of John Okman.

Sixth. Testaments proved.

Roll 8. William Hefker.

Roll 44. John Danyel.

Roll 15. Adam Botcler.

Roll 51. Adam, son of Warin, son of William.

Roll 25. Margaret Tayler.

The last is given at full length.

Seventh. Corporation Grants and Surrenders.

Roll 23. John Syward surrendered a piece of land next East Gate between Messuage pertaining

to the Church of S'. James on one part and the King's Way leading from Moor Street to East Bridge on the other, to the use of John Here, rent twelvenpence.

Roll 29. Grant to William Bertelot of a vacant place next Castle Ditch, rent thirtepenence.

To Stephen Wryght a vacant place opposite the Chapel of S'. Helen, rent twelvenpence.

Roll 35. To John Stanstead, Clerk, a piece of land in the Corner of the Lane leading towards Scholonde, and as he enables the Bailiffs and Community to widen the lane ten feet, neither fine nor rent from him.

Roll 37. The Bailiffs and Community cause the Stone Walls of the Town to be repaired daily, as they are greatly decayed. And because John Hampton, and Margaret his wife, daughter of Geoffrey Haraas, hold a place with a House annexed to the said Stone Wall, near East Gate, which House stands in the way of such repairs, it seems to the Bailiffs and men selected by the Council that such house should be removed, wherefore they grant a piece of land near S'. Helen's Pit whereon to build the same, at a half-penny rent.

6TH AND 7TH RICHARD II.

Fifty-eight Rolls, complete.

First. Leet Inquests on Rolls 2, 21, and 25.

Second. Fifteen Burgesses admitted. Nine at 20s., two at 23s. 4d., two at 26s. 8d., one at 30s., and one at 40s.

Third. Four Serjeants elected (Roll 2), Auditors (Roll 3), and Receiver for Toll on Corn (15).

Fourth. Assize of Bread, 24th November. Roll 15.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 36. Margaret, wife of Robert Beste.

Roll 38. Heirs, of Roger Sebern.

Roll 45. Alice, wife of William Appleton.

Roll 27. Joan, wife of John Sextayn.

Sixth. Testaments.

Roll 15. William Mace.

Roll 48. John Aleyn.

Roll 29. Richard Thurston.

Roll 55. Elias Pedder.

Robert de Whathamstede.

Seventh. Corporation Grants and Surrenders.

Roll 9. Thomas Whethermersh surrendered to the use of Edmund Aungeveyn part of a Tenement next the Castle Gate, to hold for ever, by the rod, paying a fine, &c.

Same parties, another tenement at same place.

Roll 57. Demise to Ralph Algar of small pieces of vacant Ground at Hythe, rent twopence.

7TH AND 8TH RICHARD II.

Twenty-two Rolls remain out of about sixty-three. Those which remain are numbered 22, 23, 25, 26, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 46, 48, 49, 52, 55, 56 (found loose on the Record Room floor), 57, 59, 63.

First. Leet Inquests : Hilary, Roll 26 ; Hokeday, 36.

Second. Six Burgesses' admissions remain. Three at 20s., two at 26s. 8d., and one at 53s. 4d.

Third. No record of demise of Tolls or Election of Officers.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in Whitsun Week on 46.

Fifth. Acknowledgments are—

- Roll 38. Christiana, wife of John Smyth.
- Roll 48. Matilda, wife of Nicholas Barker.
- Roll 57. Joan, wife of William Ratlesden.
- Roll 59. Christiana, wife of Robert atte Forde.
- Roll 63. Katherine, wife of William Draper.

Sixth. The Testaments are—

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| Roll 22. Peter Barker. | Roll 26. John Hykeman. |
| William Lambe. | Roll 59. Henry Smyth. |
| Roll 26. John atte Forde. | Roll 63. Gilbert Burgeys. |
| Roger Kirketon. | |

Seventh. Corporation Grants and Surrenders.

Roll 63. John Brooman and wife surrender to Bailiffs a place at New Hythe, sometime of Robert Chapman, called Long Nobbe, rent fourpence.

8TH AND 9TH RICHARD II.

Fifty-nine out of sixty-three, three last lost.

First. Leet Inquests on Rolls 1, 19, and 34.

Second. Election of Serjeants, Auditors and Collector. Roll 2.

Third. Twenty-two Burgesses admitted. One free, ten at 20s., one at 22s., two at 23s. 4d., one at 30s., two at 33s. 4d., three defaced.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in June. Roll 49.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 11. Eleanor, wife of John Peps.
- Roll 13. Christiana, wife of John Cristion.
- Roll 23. Agnes, wife of Thomas Joye.
- Roll 31. Avelina, wife of Robert Colne.

- Roll 28. Katherine, wife of Richard Hunt.
 Roll 53. Joan, wife of John Welles.
 Isabella, wife of Robert Light.

Sixth. Testaments.

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| Roll 11. John Hauk, junior. | Roll 51. John Kensel. |
| Roll 26. Christiana Vaux. | Roll 58. John Saunders. |
| Roll 40. Thomas Joye. | Matilda Okelee. |

Seventh. Releases recorded.

- Roll 34. Roger, son and heir of Thomas Bulbek, to Walter atte Lee Knight and others.
 Roll 56. William Reynes to William Worstede and others.

Eighth. Corporation Grants and Surrenders.

- Roll 24. Thomas Lane surrendered to the use of William Alapert two Tenements opposite Castle Ditch.

9TH AND 10TH RICHARD II.

Numbered to 61, of which No. 60 is lost.

First. Leet Inquests on Rolls 1, 22, and 41.

Second. Eighteen Burgesses admitted. Nine at 20s., three at 23s. 4d., three at 26s. 8d., one at 40s., and two illegible.

Third. Election of Serjeants, Auditors, and Measurer at the Hythe, on Roll 2.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in July, on 50 ; March, 57.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 4. Rose, wife of William Talbot.
 Roll 6. Heir at Law of Reginald Grate.
 Roll 20. Christiana, wife of Thomas Deynes.
 Roll 38. Joan, wife of John Marham.
 Dionisia, wife of William Crabbe.
 Alicia, wife of John Middeljohan.
 Roll 40. Margaret, wife of William Edree.

Sixth. Testaments.

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| Roll 16. William Talbot. | Roll 52. Christiana Wymbush. |
| Roll 25. Richard Foxton. | |

Seventh. Corporation Grants and Surrenders.

- Roll 61. Thomas Lane surrendered a place next the Castle Ditch to John Budd, of Maldon.

N.B. A Release by Wm. Ratlesden to the Town and Friars Minors on 51.

11TH AND 12TH RICHARD II.

Seventy-one Rolls, complete, except some torn.

First. Leet Inquests on Rolls 1, 27, and 46.

Second. Sixteen Burgesses admitted, fines twenty shillings.

Third. Tolls demised to John Caperoun for £35. Roll 16. A Moiety of Measurage at New Hythe to William Dud for £7, the other to Richard Smyth for the like sum. Roll 16. Serjeants and Receivers elected on Roll 2.

Fourth. Assize of Bread on Rolls 27 and 49.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 9. Lucy, wife of John Lyne.

Roll 19. Eleanor, wife of William Rosse.

Roll 42. Isabella, wife of Thomas Lavender.

Roll 43. Alice, wife of John Middeljohan.

Roll 71. Alice, wife of John Middeljohan.

Sixth. Testaments.

Roll 18. Nicholas Premerole.

Roll 45. William Bradewey.

Roll 32. William de Clare.

Roll 61. Alexander atte Welle.

Roll 45. John Danneld.

Seventh. Corporation Grants, &c.

Roll 40. William Houlet surrendered to the use of Simon White a vacant place opposite S^t. Helen's Chapel, rent twelvepence.

Roll 45. Demise to John Dyer of a vacant place opposite North Bridge called Elde Ree, rent sixpence half-penny.

Roll 71. John Deynes surrendered a vacant place of land in Maydenburgh, opposite the door of S^t. Helen's Chapel, rent twopence.

Same surrendered same place to use of Robert Tekel, rent fourpence.

Henry Bosse stops the Highway at Gallows Barn, in East Street, by an uncleansed Water Course. Roll 47.

15TH AND 16TH RICHARD II.

Numbered to 45, but Nos. 1, 2, and 43 lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 14 and 28.

Second. Nine Burgesses admitted. Six at 20s., three at 26s. 8d.

Third. Tolls demised to John Pope for £40. Roll 4.

Fourth. Acknowledgments

Roll 10. Emma, wife of John Best.

Roll 25. Emma, wife of John Best.

Roll 30. Audrey, wife of Peter Thurmod.

- Roll 31. Margaret, wife of John Bewk.
 Roll 32. Joan, wife of Robert Pope.
 Roll 40. Christina, wife of William Ewan.

Fifth. Releases.

- Roll 9. Thomas Marchaunt to Thomas Bray.
 Roll 12. John, son of Roger Horkeslegh, to John Ferthing.
 Roll 18. John Caperoun to John Wonyld and others.

Sixth. Testaments.

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| Roll 10. Richard Bland. | Roll 29. Stephen Barker. |
| Roll 13. William Cristemasse. | Roll 31. John Delve. |
| Roll 21. Alice Clerk. | Roll 40. John Broome. |
| Roll 26. Stephen Lovekyn. | Roll 41. John Cok. |

Seventh. Corporation Grants, &c.

Roll 45. To Richard Sporier a Poy outside Headgate, opposite his Shop, and a piece of void ground under the Wall of his house for a Grindstone, rent fourpence.

N.B. East Doniland then within the Liberty, see a Plea on Roll 5. Roll 7. Newland Prior, &c., *v.* Flete.

16TH AND 17TH RICHARD II.

Numbered 1 to 42. Nos. 30 to 34 inclusive lost.

First. Leet Inquests are on 1, 17, and 27.

Second. Fourteen Burgesses admitted. Eleven at 20s., two at 26s. 8d., one at 100s.

Third. Land Tolls demised to William Dod for £18. Water Tolls to Robert Horkeslegh for £17. William Wytham appointed Measurer at the New Crane. Roll 2.

Four Serjeants' Elections and Recognizances on same Roll.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 27. Agnes, wife of Richard Little.
 Agnes, wife of John Pebemersh.
 Roll 28. Margaret, wife of Robert Gordon.
 Roll 35. Joan, wife of Nicholas Kervere.

Fifth. Releases.

- Roll 27. Executors of Richard Barker to John Cristion and others.
 Roll 28. Heirs of Cristian Hendy to John Brithe and others.

Sixth. Testaments.

Roll 10. Thomas Coggere.	Roll 23. John Lavender.
Roll 12. John Skyrwiht.	Roll 24. William Bintre.
Roll 17. Walter Stanewey.	Roll 40. John atte Cherche.
Roll 21. John Thrustleford.	Roll 42. Alexander Cogger.

Seventh. Corporation Grants, &c.

Roll 42. To Thomas Sadeler a vacant place opposite the Cemetery of All Saints, near the Castle Ditch, containing, in length, twenty-eight yards and a half, namely, from a way under the house of John Lyard leading to the field of the Castle to a Boundary between the same Thomas and William Reve, and the same way to remain two yards in breadth, rent sixpence per annum.

Roll 45. To John Cristion, an eneroachment on the King's Way at New Hythe, rent one penny. To Lemman and Thomas Clerk, a ditch sometime pertaining to the North River, rent fourpence.

19TH AND 20TH RICHARD II.

Complete to Roll 26, Nos. 27, 28, and 30 lost, 29 remains.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 11, and 20.

Second. Eighteen Burgesses admitted. Eleven at 20s., three at 23s. 4d., one at 30s., two at 33s. 4d., and one at 40s.

Third. Tolls at New Hythe demised to Stephen Richards for £20. Other Tolls to Nicholas Aubre for £18. William Wytham to keep the New Crane. Roll 7.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in April. Roll 22.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 15. Joan, wife of John Mabbe.
Roll 17. Joan, wife of James Pope.
Roll 18. Clemencia, wife of Philip Denyas.
Roll 19. Mariota, wife of Robert Barker.
Agnes, wife of John Beche.
Roll 23. Margaret, wife of Richard Clerk.
Roll 29. Katherine, wife of John Broman.

Sixth. Testaments enrolled.

Roll 4. John Baker.	Roll 23. Alexander Tilseck.
Roll 7. Roger Flyngaunt.	Roll 29. John Vere.

N.B. On Roll 15 is a presentment that the Bakers, in revenge for the stringency of the Assize, had entered into a secret conspiracy among the Wine Tubs in the Cellar of a Tavern, to starve the town!

22ND AND 23RD RICHARD II.

Twenty-five Rolls in regular sequence.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 9, and 16.

Second. Six Burgesses admitted. One at 20s., two at 23s. 4d., one at 30s., one at 26s. 8d., and one at £3. 6s. 8d.

Third. Tolls demised for £40. Roll 2. New Mill tenant to be receiver for Town-election of four Serjeants, Auditors, Council, four Clavigers, and two Coroners.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in February. Roll 11.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 4. Joan, wife of Robert Pope.

Roll 7. Custance, wife of John Borham.

Roll 19. Joan, wife of Robert Sweyn.

Roll 21. Isabella, wife of John Tymyot.

Sixth. Release.

Roll 8. Robert Sewale to Robert Teye and others.

Seventh. Testaments enrolled.

Roll 12. John Atte Wode.

Roll 23. Robert Whytlove.

Roll 14. William Fychett.

Eighth. Corporation Grants, Demises, &c.

Roll 2. To John Granger, the Cellar of the Hall, and the Weighing of Wool, and the liberty of placing Stalls and Tables in the Garden of the Hall at the Fair on the day of the Nativity of St. John Baptist, and at Michaelmas, for eight marks per annum.

Roll 18. To John Plomer, a piece of land near St. Helen's Pit, which was formerly of John Hampton and Margaret his Wife, at three shillings rent.

2ND HENRY IV.

Twenty-four Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 8, and 15.

Second. Burgesses admitted, Thirteen. Seven at 20s., one at 23s. 4d., one at 26s. 8d., one at 30s., three at 40s.

Third. From this date Roll 1 begins with a list of the Corporate Officers, Bailiffs, Auditors, Coroners, Claviers, and Council (17). Four Serjeants' Election and Recognizances on Roll 1. Receiver Roll 13. Tolls let for £40. New Crane, &c., for £39. Cellar, &c., at New Hall, ten marks.

Fourth. Acknowledgment of Joan, wife of John Middlejohan, Roll 19.

Fifth. Releases enrolled.

- Roll 8. William, son and heir of John Stephen, to John Herry.
 Roll 24. John Danwe to John Goode.

Sixth. Testaments.

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| Roll 4. William Bergholte. | Roll 13. John Pope. |
| Roll 5. Philip Hastings. | Roll 19. Hugh Bokenham. |
| Roll 8. Michael Aubre. | Clement Cok. |
| Roll 10. John Haux. | |

5TH HENRY IV.

Rolls numbered to 30, of which 1, 2, and 3 are lost, two numbered 23.

First. Leet Inquests, 12 and 20.

Second. Seven Burgesses admitted. Five at 20s., one at 23s. 4d., one at 26s. 8d.

Third. Corporate Officers' names, &c., and Toll demise lost.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 14. Joan, wife of Robert Pope.
 Roll 23. Joan, wife of Thomas Gibbe.
 Roll 27. Agnes, wife of John Deen.

Fifth. Releases.

- Roll 7. Executors of John Thurgore to William West Brome and others.
 John Baroun to Richard Houlet and others.

On Roll 28, a Release by John Hastings, of Crowmer, otherwise Schipden, in Norfolk, of Lands there, and at Fellbrigg, and other places in Norfolk, is enrolled. Why, is not stated.

On Roll 23, a remarkable case of the Bailiffs and Town Court proceeding to judgment, and committing defendants to prison, notwithstanding a Protection from the King produced by them. The ground taken by the Town authorities was, that the protection was for the male defendant when in the service of the Admiral on the *High Seas*, and as he was not there, but in Court, it was no use to him.

6TH HENRY IV.

Half of the first Roll is gone; the Rolls then follow in regular order to the eighth, which is lost, and then again to the twenty-sixth, all the rest are lost. There were originally thirty-two.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 10, and 21.

Second. Eighteen Burgesses admitted. Nine at 20s., four at 23s. 4d., one at 24s., three at 26s. 8d., one at 33s. 4d.

Third. To the list of Officers, the Chamberlain and Town Clerk are now added. Part of the Serjeants' Recognizances remain, but the Toll demises are torn off Roll 1.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in February (21).

Fifth. Acknowledgments enrolled.

Roll 20. Philippa, wife of John Brid.

Roll 24. Katherine, wife of John Crouchman.

Sixth. No Testaments or Corporate Grants.

N.B. Thursday as the Foreign Court Day first on these Rolls.

7TH HENRY IV.

Thirty-six Rolls in regular order.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 13, and 25.

Second. Twenty-three Burgesses admitted. Four at 20s., seven at 23s. 4d., six at 26s. 8d., three at 30s., two at 33s. 8d., and one at 40s., who had forfeited his liberty by "rebellion" against the Corporation, but it was restored on submission. One Burgess was admitted free (in addition to the above) on proof of his free birth at Greenstede.

Third. Tolls let for £40, Cranage for £29, Wool Cellar for ten marks, Lastage at New Hythe 20s.

Fourth. Assize of Bread on 18 and 29.

Fifth. Acknowledgments enrolled.

Roll 9. Joan, wife of John Seburgh.

Roll 13. Agnes, wife of Richard Buk.

Roll 23. Margery, wife of Matthew Sayer.

Christina, wife of Thomas Godston.

Margery, wife of Robert Smyth.

Roll 24. Alice, wife of John Organer.

Roll 25. Eleanor, wife of John Churcheball.

Sixth. Releases enrolled.

Roll 9. Thomas Whot to Richard Warener.

Roll 20. Thomas Fraunceys and others to John Purchas.

John Rothing and Robert Boloigne to Thomas Fraunceys.

Roll 35. John Delvere, son and heir to Simon, to John Plomer and another.

Seventh. No Testaments or Grants enrolled.

8TH HENRY IV.

Thirty-two Rolls complete.

First. Leet Inquests on Rolls 1, 10, and 21.

Second. Seventy-one Burgesses admitted. Forty-eight at 20s., thirteen at 23s. 4d., four at 26s. 8d., one at 30s., one at 33s. 4d., one at 46s. 8d., one at £4 ; two of the sums are illegible.

Third. Tolls let for £40, Cranage for £34, Wool Cellar for eleven marks, and Lastage for 20s.

Fourth. Assize of Bread on Roll 24.

Fifth. Acknowledgments enrolled.

Roll 15. Emma, wife of David Chapman.

Roll 18. Claricia, wife of John Goode.

Sixth. Release.

Roll 20. Henry Basse to Robert Stodeley.

Seventh. Testaments enrolled.

Roll 4. John Arnold.

Roll 16. William Greenway.

Roll 18. John Colne.

Eighth. Corporate Grants, &c.

Roll 32. Demise to William Horn of a Butcher's Stall in Market, at two shillings rent.

Grant and Licence to Stephen Flysp, John Plomer, John Mabbeson, and others, to build a foot bridge at New Hythe, of Wood, of one span, so as not to prevent boats going to the Bridge at East Street, and not to make it a bridge for Carts, &c.

11TH HENRY IV.

Rolls 3, 15 to 20 inclusive, and 29 to 37 inclusive, remain.

First. Part of the Leet Inquest for Michaelmas on Roll 3, and part of Hilary on 15.

Second. One Burgess's admission only remaining, fine 26s. 8d. On 31 a claim on proof of Birth.

Third. All relating to Tolls, Officers, &c., lost.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 19. Alicia, wife of John Seburgh.

Roll 32. Elizabeth, wife of John Northwode.

Fifth. Testament enrolled.

Roll 35. William Coupere.

Sixth. Corporation Grant.

Roll 35. To Thomas Jakelot a vacant place in Maydenburgh Street, opposite S^t. Helen's Chapel.

13TH HENRY IV.

Thirty-seven Rolls complete.

First. Leet Inquests on Rolls 1, 13, and 23.

Second. Twelve Burgesses admitted. Three at 20s., four at 23s. 4d., four at 26s. 8d., one at 30s.

Third. List of Corporation and Election of Serjeants. Roll 1. Demises, Wool Hall fourteen marks, Town Tolls £15, Hythe Tolls, Measurage, &c., £48.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in Hilary. Roll 12.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 3. Eleanor, wife of Edmund Tyrell, of the "Falcon."

Roll 12. Katherine, wife of John Croucheman.

Roll 21. Joan, wife of Richard Chamberlain.

Roll 25. Katherine, wife of John Crouchman.

Roll 32. Margaret, wife of Thomas Mayneld.

Roll 33. Margaret, wife of Thomas Mayneld.

Joan, wife of Richard Warner.

Sixth. Release.

Roll 30. Thomas Ardlegh to Peter Smyth, and Peter Smyth to John Algood.

Seventh. Testaments.

Roll 9. John Polstead.

Roll 15. Alice Chambre.

Roll 20. Alice Strengre.

Roll 25. William Chamberlain.

In Roll 33 is an Inquisition on a claim of Right of Way over Baker's Land, in Lexden, belonging to Joseph Elianor's Chantry, near Stone Crouch Lane.

1ST AND 2ND HENRY V.

Numbered to 47, of which Nos. 31 and 33 are lost, and there are two of each of Nos. 6 and 38.

First. Leet Inquests on Rolls 1, 18, and 32.

Second. Twenty Burgesses admitted. Eight at 20s., five at 26s. 8d., seven at 33s. 4d.

Third. Officers' Elections and Tolls as on last Rolls.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 6. Alice, wife of William Straunge.

Roll 20. Joan, wife of Andrew Blackman.

Roll 35. Margaret, wife of George Bryghtfed.

Roll 36. Alice, wife of John Lackford.

Fifth. Testaments enrolled.

Roll 6. Richard Dyggyns.

Roll 40. Thomas Slade.

Roll 15. Robert Beste.

Roll 44. Simon Slade.

Roll 28. Alice Stoneman.

Sixth. Corporation Grant.

Roll 39. Grant to Clement Aungevyn and Thomas Ryver Clerk of a Tenement at the Castle Gate; see Roll 6 of 37th Edward III., rent twopence.

N.B. These Rolls, containing many important Presentments about the Commons, &c., was for many years in the Chest of St. Mary's Church.

4TH AND 5TH HENRY V.

Numbered to 46, of which 1, 2, 16, 17, 29, 30, 39 lost, and there are two marked "36."

First. Part of Michaelmas Leet Inquest on 3, part of Hilary on 18, Hookday Leet on 31.

Second. Eight Burgesses admitted. Four at 20s., two at 23s. 4d., one at 26s. 8d., and one at £3. 6s. 8d.

Third. No record of Officers or Demise of Tolls.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 35. Alice, wife of Walter Ketel.

Roll 43. Isabella, wife of Thomas Asteley, of Melton Constable, Norfolk, and Widow of Andrew Beche, of Colchester.

Roll 44. Joan, wife of Richard Stodele.

Fifth. Testaments enrolled.

Roll 35. Richard Parrok.

Roll 44. Roger Spendel.

Roll 45. Thomas Fraunceys.

Katherine Cotell.

6TH AND 7TH HENRY V.

Thirty-four Rolls regularly numbered, but one Roll found in Record Room clearly belonging to this year, and coming between the Rolls numbered 28 and 29, is now replaced, after, probably, three centuries and a half divorcement and much ill-usage.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 14, and 24.

Second. Twenty-seven Burgesses. Twenty-three at 20s., two at 23s. 4d., one at 26s. 8d., and one at 40s.

Third. Officers, &c., on Roll 1. Tolls and Woolhall £9, Town Tolls £16, Hythe Tolls, &c., £48.

Fourth. Acknowledgments enrolled.

- Roll 11. Agnes, wife of John Merild.
- Roll 19. Katherine, wife of John Haselwood.
- Roll 26. Dionisia, wife of William Vynt.
- Roll 28. Katherine, wife of Henry Cranmer.

Fifth. Releases, &c.

- Roll 20. Executors of John Haselwood to William Nicholas and others.
- Roll 33. Final Concord. Joan, daughter of Simon Spilling and others.

Sixth. Testaments enrolled.

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| Roll 19. John Haselwood. | Roll 31. Roger Thursteyn. |
| Roll 20. John Roger. | Richard Buk. |
| Roll 30. John Stace. | Roll 32. Walter Fitz Yve. |
| Roger Barker. | Roll 33. John Clyff. |

Seventh. Corporation Grant.

Roll 22. The Bailiffs, with assent and consent of Aldermen, grant to Robert Wright and others a small piece of waste at New Hythe, for fourpence rent.

7TH AND 8TH HENRY V.

Thirty-two Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on Rolls 1, 10, and 21.

Second. Sixteen Burgesses admitted. Ten at 20s., three at 23s. 4d., three at 26s. 8d.

Third. Officers, &c., on Roll 1. Woolhall let for £9, Town Tolls £16, Hythe, &c., £40.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 7. Alice, wife of John Algood.
- Roll 15. Isabella, wife of John Mussell.

Roll 20. Cecilia, wife of John Sywall.

Roll 30. Agnes, wife of John Canoun (two).

Fifth. Testament enrolled.

Roll 15. John Canteler.

Sixth. Corporation Grants, &c.

Roll 24. To John Saveryn, Barber, a Stall, twopence rent.

Roll 25. To William Bertelot a piece of land by Castle Ditch, rent twelpepence.

On Roll 12 is an Arbitration by the Supervisors of Land, "the Landlokers," with consent of parties, on precept of Bailiffs, as to a right of way.

Roll 32. Writ of right by the Prior of S^t. Botolph against Robert Hanley, and Joan his wife, for land in Lexden.

1ST AND 2ND HENRY VI.

Twenty-eight Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 11, and 19.

Second. Twenty-one Burgesses admitted. Ten at 20s., five at 23s. 4d., five at 26s. 8d., one at 33s. 4d.

Third. Officers, &c., first Roll. Rents, Woolhall £8, Town Tolls £16, Hythe £20, Crane, &c., £20.

Fourth. Acknowledgment.

Roll 5. Marion, wife of John Brandon.

Fifth. Release.

Roll 21. Richard Drengé to his Grandson, Thomas Drengé.

Sixth. Testaments enrolled.

Roll 14. John Goldeford.

Roll 17. John Sparwe.

Roll 15. William Boe.

Roll 22. John Baroun.

Seventh. Assize of Bread in January. Roll 10.

2ND AND 3RD HENRY VI.

Numbered to 33, but Rolls 1 and 2 lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 10 and 19.

Second. Twelve Burgesses admitted. Nine at 20s., two at 23s. 4d., one at 26s. 8d.

Third. Record of Officers and Tolls lost.

Fourth. Acknowledgments enrolled.

Roll 30. Agnes, wife of John Swanton.
Margaret, wife of Richard Bryd.

Fifth. Testaments.

Roll 16. John Lylye.	Roll 33. John Gardiner.
Roll 17. Richard Hache. Thomas Dykon.	John Swayn. Isabella Stalam.
Roll 30. Walter Whytehed.	

Sixth. Corporation Grant.

Roll 32. To John Stephen, vacant land in Maydenburgh Street, next Castle Ditch, rent sixteen pence.

3RD AND 4TH HENRY VI.

Numbered to 39. Roll 1 lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 14 and 24.

Second. Twenty-one Burgesses admitted. Thirteen at 20s., seven at 21s. 8d., one at 23s. 4d.

Third. Officers, &c., on lost Roll 1.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 31. Matilda, wife of Clement Augevyns.
Roll 35. Joan, wife of Nicholas Berners.
Roll 38. Christina Fraunceys.

Fifth. Testaments.

Roll 27. Thomas Marchaunt.
Roll 33. John Carter.
Roll 39. Christina Godston.

Sixth. Release.

Roll 21. John Pebemersh and others to Robert Evesyng.

On Roll 16 dorse are New Constitutions of Cordwainers, and on 27 the Masters of Craft are sworn in compliance with them.

4TH AND 5TH HENRY VI.

Twenty-eight Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 12, and 20.

Second. Twenty-six Burgesses admitted. One at 23s. 4d., the rest at 20s.

Third. Officers, &c., on Roll 1. Rents, Woolhall £8, Tolls £16, Hythe ditto £22, Crane £22.

Fourth. Acknowledgments enrolled.

Roll 4. Elena, wife of John Algood.
 Marion, wife of Thomas Atwood.
 Roll 24. Margaret, wife of Richard Wylye.

Fifth. Release.

Roll 14. Thomas Graunger to William Fynderne.

Sixth. Testaments.

Roll 4. Richard Dreng, otherwise Parker.
 Roll 2. Robert Wryght.

Seventh. Corporation Demise.

Roll 4. To Peter Fretheman, Fuller, a piece of land in Moor Street, at one penny rent.

5TH AND 6TH HENRY VI.

Numbered to 31. Rolls 1, 2, 3, 13, and 14 lost.

First. Leet Inquest, Hokeday on 23.

Second. Eight Burgesses' admissions at 20s., except one at 26s. 8d.

Third. Officers and Toll Demises on lost Rolls.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 4. Margaret, wife of John Lambherede.
 Roll 15. Goodleef, wife of John Gardyner.
 Agnes, wife of William Northaw.

Fifth. Testaments.

Roll 4. Katherine Deynes.	Roll 20. John Prentys.
Roger Baker.	Richard Bawde.
Richard Balsham.	

6TH AND 7TH HENRY VI.

Numbered to 32, but Rolls 1, 2, and 13 lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 14 and 22.

Second. Eight Burgesses admitted at 20s., except one at 26s. 8d.

Third. Roll of Officers and Tolls lost.

Fourth. Releases.

- Roll 3. John Pebemersh to Katherine Lylye.
Executors of Andrew Danell to William Mate and others.
Roll 30. John Plomer to John Auntrons, &c.

Fifth. Testaments enrolled.

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| Roll 14. Edmund Rysby. | Roll 30. Robert Rykes. |
| Roll 22. John Pake. | Roll 31. John Goybe. |
| Roll 26. Nicholas Creeke. | Roll 32. Thomas Wellys. |
| Roll 30. John Taseler. | |

7TH AND 8TH HENRY VI.

Rolls 2, 36, 37, lost, the rest numbered to 35 remain.

First. Leet Inquests on 14 and 22.

Second. Ten Burgesses' admissions remain. One at 33s. 4d., one at 26s. 8d., two at 23s. 4d., the rest at 20s.

Third. Officers elected and Serjeants' recognizances on Roll 1. Woolhall let for £8, Tolls £16, Hythe ditto £44.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 5. Sabina, wife of Thomas Palfreyman.
Roll 11. Isabella, wife of John Rykedon.
Roll 24. Constance, wife of Henry Downe.
Margaret, wife of John Taseler.
Roll 25. Isabella, wife of John Rykedon.

Fifth. Release.

- Roll 22. Peter Cook to John Beche, senior.

Sixth. Testaments enrolled.

- Roll 4. Andrew Boyle.
Roll 24. William Rodelond.
Roll 35. Alexander Erpingham.

8TH AND 9TH HENRY VI.

Thirty-four Rolls in good order.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 13, and 23.

Second. Seventeen Burgesses admitted. Two at 26s. 8d., six at 23s. 4d., one at 21s. 8d., and the rest at 20s.

Third. Officers, &c., on Roll 1. Woolhall let for £6, Town Tolls for £14, Hythe ditto for £23 and £23.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 17. Joan, wife of John Ronge.
 Roll 18. Matilda, wife of Peter Smyth.
 Roll 22. Rose, wife of Adam Spilling.

Fifth. Testaments enrolled.

- Roll 4. Robert Fuller.
 Roll 17. Roger Chereheman.

Sixth. Corporation Grants, &c.

- Roll 22. To John Bulcote, a vacant place West of All Saints' Rectory, for ten shillings rent.
 To Richard Bryd, a Piece of Land next North Gate, on the West side, for fourpence rent.

10TH AND 11TH HENRY VI.

One Leet Roll, No. 8.

11TH AND 12TH HENRY VI.

Thirty-five Rolls.

- First. Leet Inquests on 2, 12, and 21.
 Second. Twelve Burgesses admitted. One at 40s., one at 23s. 4d., the rest at 20s.
 Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Woolhall rent left blank, Town Tolls £18, Hythe ditto £25, Crane, &c., £25.
 Fourth. Acknowledgment.

Roll 31. Alianor, wife of John Smyth.

Fifth. Releases.

- Roll 13. Laurence Neve to Gilbert Hunt.
 Roll 18. Richard Withermersh and others to William Gasewey.
 Roll 19. Joan, late wife of Roger Kyrkton, to John Doreward and others.

Sixth. Testaments.

- Roll 3. Richard Rede.
 Roll 14. William Notyngnam.
 Roll 20. Richard Botysford.

On Roll 34, John Sayer, and Joan his wife, and Robert King, and Alice his wife (the women being co-heiresses of a Messuage, &c.), went before the Bailiffs, who, with the aid of the Supervisors, or "Landlokers," of the town, made a severance "according to the custom."

13TH AND 14TH HENRY VI.

Twenty-nine Rolls in order.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 11, and 19. An "Inquest of Liberties" in August, and Assize of Bread, on Roll 28.

Second. Sixteen Burgesses admitted. Three at 40s., one at 23s. 4d., the rest at 20s.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Town Tolls £12, Hythe £52.

Fourth. Acknowledgments enrolled.

Roll 3. Joan, wife of John Denychangre.

Roll 7. Joan, wife of Richard Sparke.

Roll 12. Margery, wife of John Hunte.

14TH AND 15TH HENRY VI.

Thirty Rolls in good order.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 11, and 19.

Second. Seven Burgesses admitted. One at 26s. 8d., the rest at 20s.

Third. Officers, &c., on 1st Roll. Woolhall let for £6, Town Tolls for £12, Hythe ditto for £26, Crane, &c., £26.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 14. Christina, wife of John Romayn.

Roll 16. Cristina, wife of John Odylyshe.

Roll 27. Beatrice, wife of Thomas Marchaunt.

Roll 30. Elena, wife of John Drewe.

Fifth. Testament enrolled.

Roll 26. Robert Abraham.

15TH AND 16TH HENRY VI.

Numbered to 32, but No. 3 lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 10, and 18.

Second. Only one Burgess's admission at 26s. 8d.

Third. Officers, &c., 1st Roll. Woolhall let for £6, Town Tolls £12, Hythe £52.

Fourth. Acknowledgment.

Roll 30. Isabella, wife of Thomas Asteley.

Fifth. Testaments.

Roll 16. John Carter, senior.

John Tanner.

Roll 20. John Pod, senior.

Sixth. Corporation Grants, &c.

Roll 32. To Thomas Smyth a vacant place at New Hythe for sixty years, at four shillings rent.

To John Bordemale a vacant place at Eldelond for sixpence rent.

To John Chapman a void place outside Head Gate, under the Stone Wall, rent fourteenpence.

16TH AND 17TH HENRY VI.

Fifty Rolls, except 16 or 17, a Roll being placed between 15 and 18 not having a number.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 18, and 30.

Second. Thirteen Burgesses admitted at 20s. each.

Third. Officers, &c., 1st Roll. Woolhall rent £7, Town Tolls £12, Hythe, &c., £52.

Fourth. Acknowledgment.

Roll 4. Joan, wife of John Olyver.

Fifth. Testament.

Roll 32. John Church.

Sixth. Corporation Grant.

Roll 20. To Richard Walpole of an encroachment at East Bridge, rent sixpence.

On Roll 18, a dispute between "neighbour and neighbour" as to boundary, is settled before the Bailiffs by the Inspectors of Lands and Tenements, or "Land-lokers."

17TH AND 18TH HENRY VI.

Thirty-nine Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 3, 16, and 27.

Second. Sixteen Burgesses admitted. One at 40s., one at 26s. 8d., two at 23s. 4d., the rest at 20s.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Woolhall let for £7, Town Tolls £13, Hythe, &c., £56.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 5. Marian, wife of William Norton.

Roll 29. Isabella, wife of Thomas Dore.

Fifth. Release.

Roll 19. William Godston to John Godston.

Sixth. Testaments.

- Roll 6. Richard Chamberlyn.
Agnes King.

18TH AND 19TH HENRY VI.

Twenty-nine Rolls, less No. 5, lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 14, and 22.

Second. Seven Burgesses admitted. One at 26s. 8d., the rest at 20s.

Third. Officers, &c., on Roll 1. Woolhall let for £6, Town Tolls for £12, Hythe for £44.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 10. Joan, wife of John Olyver.
Roll 12. Joan, wife of John Clerk, Junior.
Roll 18. Idonea, wife of Thomas Jakelot.
Joan, wife of John Upelam.
Roll 19. Ann, wife of Thomas Goode.
Roll 21. Joan, wife of William Mayhew.
Roll 27. Christina, wife of Walter Gyles.
Roll 29. Ann, wife of Thomas Goode.
Agatha, wife of Robert Sent.

Fifth. Testament.

- Roll 15. John Fordham.

Sixth. Corporation Grants, &c.

Roll 3. To John Ronge a piece of land in West Stokwell Street, for fifteenpence rent.
To Henry Wygore and others, the like, at thirtepenence.

Roll 25. John Heyward, senior, surrendered a Tenement at the West Gate of the Castle to the use of John Ronge, to hold of the Bailiffs by the Rod, and twopence rent.

21ST AND 22ND HENRY VI.

In regular order to No. 21, with part of 22, two "19."

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 9, and 15.

Second. Fourteen Burgesses admitted. Two at 26s. 8d., four at 23s. 4d., and the rest at 20s.

Third. Officers, &c., on Roll 1. Town Tolls let for £12, Hythe for £52.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 5. Joan, wife of Thomas Mulling.
Roll 18. Agnes, wife of James Ermond.

Fifth. Testament.

Roll 19. John Prior.

Sixth. Corporation Grants.

Roll 5. To John Bulcote a piece of land next the Pinfold, at twelvecence rent.

Roll 17. To Robert Hintlesham the next piece for twenty-two pence rent (stated to have been the Pinfold).

N.B. One John Pykedon presented for concealing treasure trove found in his garden of ten marks value.

22ND AND 23RD HENRY VI.

Twenty-four Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 10, and 16.

Second. Nine Burgesses admitted at 20s., except one at 26s. 8d.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Woolhall let for £10, Town Tolls for £10, Hythe, &c., £52.

Fourth. Acknowledgment.

Roll 9. Joan, wife of Robert Cook.

Fifth. Testament of Elias Baker.

Sixth. Release by John Auntrons to Thomas Oskyn and others.

23RD AND 24TH HENRY VI.

Numbered to 30, but 1, 3, 12, and 26 lost. No. 2 found and replaced.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 13, and 26.

Second. Eighteen Burgesses admitted at 20s., except one at 26s. 8d.

Third. No List of Officers or record of Toll Demises.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 4. Isabella, wife of John Trewé.

Roll 11. Beatrice, wife of John Valent.

Roll 15. Margery, wife of William Chopyn.

Roll 20. Joan, wife of John Cook.

Roll 24. Dionisia, wife of John Baroun.

Fifth. Releases.

Roll 20. Agnes Avitrons to John Avitrons and five others.

Roll 28. Eleanor Mate to John Beche and William Smyth.

25TH AND 26TH HENRY VI.

Twenty-two numbered, but of these 1, 2, 3 are lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 11 and 17.

Second. Two Burgesses on existing Rolls, 20s. each.

Third. No List of Officers or Demises of Tolls left.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 23. Joan, wife of Robert Cook.
 Joan, wife of John Sewale.
 Joan, wife of Thomas Fielde.

Fifth. Testaments.

Roll 9. John Clerk.
 Roll 10. John Thursteyn.
 Roll 22. Richard Beeche.

Sixth. Release.

Roll 12. Agnes Avitrons to John her son.

26TH AND 27TH HENRY VI.

Twenty-six Rolls remaining.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 10, and 18.

Second. Seven Burgesses paid 23s. 4d. each.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Woolhall rent blank, Town Tolls blank, Hythe &c., £52.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 9. Joan, wife of Thomas Fuller.
 Roll 12. Joan, wife of John Bateman.
 Roll 16. Alice, wife of John Badeock.
 Margaret, wife of John Smyth.

Fifth. Releases.

Roll 9. John Edrich and others to Robert Spence.
 Roll 12. Alice, Widow of John Pod, senior, to Anne Greene.
 Roll 16. Thomas Fuller and others to Thomas Godfrey.
 Roll 22. John Turnour to Thomas Braunche.
 Katherine, widow of Robert Seburgh, to Roger Wike and others.

Sixth. Testaments.

Roll 4. Augustine Bonefaunt.	Roll 9. Joan, wife of Clement Comber.
Roll 9. William King.	Roll 12. John Bishop, John Trew.

27TH AND 28TH HENRY VI.

Twenty-three Rolls, of which the 9th lost, and five were found in different places and restored.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 8 (part of Hilary), and 15.

Second. Eight Burgesses admitted at 23s. 4d., and one at 40s.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Woolhall let for £8, Town Tolls £10, Hythe, &c., £48.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 10. Alice, wife of John Strut.

Joan, wife of John Foote.

Rolls 22 & 23. Alice, wife of John Boteler.

Dionisia, wife of John Prymerole.

Katherine, wife of Robert Spalding.

Fifth. Releases enrolled.

Roll 10. Matilda Reshe and others to Edmund Fuller.

Robert Silby and others to Matilda Reshe and others.

Roll 22. William Gant and Richard Barker to Robert Spalding and wife.

The same to John Boteler and wife.

Roll 23. The same to John Prymerole and wife.

Sixth. Testament.

Roll 10. Thomas Baker.

The next year, "Jack Cade's Rebellion" year, is missing, and the year following.

30TH AND 31ST HENRY VI.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 11, and 19.

Second. Sixteen Burgesses admitted. Six at 23s. 4d., two at 30s., seven at 20s., one gratis, by advice of the Council, and sworn "*de novo*," readmitted, in fact.

Third. Officers, &c., on 1st Roll, and Supervisors of Butchers, Fish Merchants, and Chandlers sworn. No Toll Demises.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 4. Matilda, wife of Geoffrey Rokell.

Roll 17. Joan, wife of John Horndon.

Roll 18. Joan, wife of John Onger.

Roll 28. Joan, wife of John Gooday.

Fifth. Releases.

Roll 14. Joan, Widow of Thomas Fuller, to Thomas West and others.

- Roll 16. William Clerk to John Colman.
 Roll 18. William Parson, senior, and others to William Foorde.
 Roll 24. William Cook to William, Abbot of St. John's.

Sixth. Testaments enrolled.

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| Roll 5. John Davy, Dyer. | Roll 15. Cristina Bonefaunt. |
| Roll 13. John Sabey. | Roll 16. John Odyshoo. |

Seventh. Corporation Grants.

- Roll 29. To Christina, widow of John Odyshoo, a vacant place of land in St. Peter's, at twelve-pence rent. Fine (blank).
 Roll 18. An arbitration on boundaries between neighbours.
 Roll 25. Richard Stanton binds himself to Robert Botcler, "Cordener," for six years, to learn the art, and receive bed and board, linen and woollen clothes, and twenty shillings at the end of the term, and a bed value ten shillings.
 Roll 12. Sir John Fastolf, Knight, defendant for a debt.

31ST AND 32ND HENRY VI.

Numbered to 25, but No. 5 lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 11, 18.

Second. Eighteen Burgesses admitted. Three at 23s. 4d., one at 21s. 8d., the rest at 20s.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. No Demises of Tolls.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

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| Roll 21. Isabella, wife of John Sabey.
Eleanor, wife of John Weston.
Joan, wife of Thomas Field. | Roll 25. Margaret, wife of John Smith.
Matilda, wife of John Fuller. |
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Fifth. Releases enrolled.

Roll 9. Thomas Kimburle to William Forde.

Roll 19. John Sabey to Isabella, his mother.

Sixth. Testament.

Roll 23. Agnes March.

Seventh. Recognizances for Yarn, to Chamberlain.

34TH AND 35TH HENRY VI.

Twenty-eight Rolls complete.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 12, and 19.

Second. Eight Burgesses admitted. One at 26s. 8d., two at 23s. 4d., and the rest at 20s.

Third. Officers, &c., on Roll 1. Woolhall and Butter Stalls let for £17, Hythe Tolls for £42. Constables and Supervisors sworn. Roll 2.

Fourth. Assize of Bread, Saturday before Palm Sunday, 15.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 3. Dionisia, wife of William atte Sond.

Roll 4. Margery, wife of William Smyth.

Roll 7. Joan, wife of William Hornedon.

Roll 13. Joan, wife of Thomas Fielde.

Roll 16. Alice, wife of John Neuporte.

Joan, wife of Thomas Feelde.

Roll 17. Sara, wife of John Colyn.

Roll 26. Cristina, wife of John Serjeant.

Roll 27. Isabella, wife of John Greenhill (two).

Roll 28. Margery, wife of John Sonde.

Sixth. Testament.

Roll 22. John Prymerole.

Seventh. On Rolls 17, 18, and 22 are Arbitrations on boundaries by Supervisors of Lands under direction of the Bailiffs.

35TH AND 36TH HENRY IV.

Twenty-seven Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 10, and 19.

Second. Three Burgesses admitted at 26s. 8d., one at 20s.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Constables and Supervisors of Coriour's Craft on 2. Woolhall and Tolls (except Hythe and Fair on Pardon Sunday) £17, Hythe, &c., £44. Roll 1.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in November. Roll 7.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 7. Alice, wife of John Clement.

Roll 14. Katherine, wife of John Fen.

Roll 18. Alice, wife of William Wheeler.

Sixth. Releases.

Roll 16. Nicholas Floret, alias Lock, to Simon Parker and others.

Roll 19. John Stephen (son and heir of John) to Richard Withermersh. A certificate, called a Letter Testimonial, by Henry Stamp and others, in proof of friendship, accompanies this Release.

Seventh. Testament.

Roll 21. John Pod.

Eighth. Arbitrations by Supervisors on 13 and 21.

Ninth. Corporation Grants, &c.

Roll 18. To John Ramedwe of a piece of land now built on, next Town Wall, in the way leading from North Sherd to North Gate. Rent eightpence.

Surrender by him to John Payn, at same rent.

Roll 23. Bailiff elected in place of John Beeche, deceased. William Saxe elected.

Roll 26. William Somerset paid a fine of 20^s. for scandalous words used of Bailiffs and Aldermen against Ordinances.

36TH AND 37TH HENRY VI.

First. Leet Inquests on 12 and 19.

Second. Three Burgesses' admissions at 20s., one at 26s. 8d.

Third. Officers, &c., and Toll demises gone.

Fourth. Assize of Bread in February (Roll 15), March (18), and Midsummer (27).

Fifth. Acknowledgments enrolled.

Roll 15. Katherine, wife of Robert Spalding.

Anne, wife of Walter Oldhall.

Roll 27. Marion, wife of William Norton.

Roll 30. Joan, wife of Roger Lytewyn.

Olive, wife of John Holme.

Sixth. Testament.

Roll 27. Walter Ramyfen.

Seventh. Corporation Grant.

Roll 29. To Richard Welde and others on surrender of Thomas Cent of a piece of land built on in Maydenburgh Street, opposite S^t. Helen's Chapel, and a Tenement in S^t. Nicholas in same street, opposite the door of the Tenement pertaining to same Chapel, to hold by the rod at sixteenpence rent.

Eighth. Pie Poudré Courts fully recorded on 21 and 22, the first met with, and very full and minute.

Roll 28. Curious Inventory of Goods seized in execution.

37TH AND 38TH HENRY VI.

Now amounting to 24 Rolls, the two first found elsewhere and restored.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 9, and 15.

Second. Ten Burgesses admitted. One at 26s. 8d., four at 23s. 4d., and the rest at 20s.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Woolhall, &c., let for £18, Hythe £43.

Fourth. Assize of Bread, November (5), February (11), March (17), and September (24).

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 8. Margaret, wife of William Smyth.

Roll 13. Mary, wife of William Helder.

Roll 18. Joan, wife of John Watre.

Roll 24. Margaret, wife of John Kide.

Sixth. Release.

Roll 21. Richard Boreham and others to Robert Beehe and Joan his wife.

Seventh. Corporation Grant.

To Simon Baldewyn and others of Tenement at the West Gate of Castle, rent twopence.

Eighth. Pie Poudré Courts on 24.

38TH AND 39TH HENRY VI.

Twenty-six Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 11, and 17.

Second. Ten Burgesses admitted. One at 40s., one at 33s. 4d., one at 26s. 8d., the rest at 20s.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Woolhall, &c., let for £18, Hythe (blank).

Fourth. Assize of Bread, Epiphany (8), Easter (17).

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 3. Margaret, wife of Edward Fuller.

Roll 4. Alice, wife of John Levyngton.

Roll 6. Margery, wife of John Hunt.

Roll 7. Joan, wife of Geoffrey Derivall.

Roll 10. Agnes, wife of Thomas Avery.

Rolls 21 & 24. Marion, wife of William Norton.

Roll 24. Joan, wife of John Horndon.

Sixth. Testament.

Roll 13. William Smith.

Seventh. Corporation Grant.

Roll 24. To John Calver, Agnes his wife, and others, on Surrender of Simon Baldwyn of a Tenement at West Gate of Castle, rent twopence.

Eighth. Pie Poudré Courts.

- Roll 8. Thursday after S^t. Katherine.
 Roll 9. Monday before S^t. Thomas.
 Roll 22. S^t. John's Day.
 Roll 25. Vigil of S^t. James and two following days.

39TH HENRY VI. AND 1ST EDWARD IV.

Twenty-five Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 10, and 16.

Second. Four Burgesses admitted at 20s., and one at 23s. 4d.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Woolhall let for £10, Town Tolls for £9, Hythe for £29.

Fourth. Assize of Bread, November (5), December (6), Thursday before Easter (15).

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 9. Margaret, wife of William Aylmer.
 Roll 15. Alice, wife of William Duke.
 Katherine, wife of John Huntingdon.
 Margaret, wife of John Sonde.
 Roll 18. Alice, wife of John Rammedwe.
 Roll 25. Joan, wife of Thomas Bushe.

Sixth. Releases.

- Roll 15. John Premerole to John Met and others.
 Thomas Woode to William, Abbot of S^t. John's (Land in Burgh Fields).

Seventh. Pie Poudré Courts.

- Roll 10. Thursday after Hilary, at 11 o'clock.
 Roll 14. Wednesday before S^t. Gregory, at 8 o'clock.
 Roll 24. Wednesday before S^t. Laurence, at 9 o'clock.

3RD AND 4TH EDWARD IV.

Thirty-two Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 6, and 19.

Second. Six Burgesses admitted at 23s. 4d., and two at 26s. 8d.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Serjeants' recognizances still £40 each. Woolhall and Town Tolls let for £19, Hythe £33. 6s. 8d.

Fourth. Assize of Bread, November (8), February (13), May (21), July (28).

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 10. Joan, wife of Roger Litewyn.
 Roll 14. Margaret, wife of John Sonde.
 Roll 15. Margaret, wife of William Bonefaunt.
 Roll 20. Matilda, wife of John Doraunt.
 Roll 31. Margaret, wife of John Shipman.
 Cristina, wife of John Burre.

Sixth. Release.

- Roll 18. William Moor Clerk and others to Thomas Fraunceys, otherwise Brasyer.

Seventh. Testament of John Facon.

Eighth. Pie Poudré Courts.

- Roll 17. Wednesday before Annunciation.
 Roll 18. Monday before the Close of Easter.
 Roll 19. The Thursday following.

6TH AND 7TH EDWARD IV.

Forty-one Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 18, and 27.

Second. Five Burgesses admitted at 26s. 8d., and two at 23s. 4d.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Only Woolhall demise at £18.

Fourth. Assize of Bread assumes much importance this year, held on

		Corn per quarter.		
		s.	l.	
Wednesday after feast of 11,000 Virgins	.. ..	6	6	Roll 4.
Vigil of S ^t . Andrew	.. ..	6	0	Roll 12.
Wednesday after S ^t . Matthias	.. ..	6	6	Roll 22.
Friday before Pentecost	.. ..	7	0	Roll 31.
Monday after S ^t . Botolph	.. ..	8	0	Roll 36.
Fourteenth of July	.. ..	8	6	Roll 38.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 16. Joan, wife of Roger Litewyn.
 Roll 25. Margery, wife of John Sonde.
 Roll 27. Joan, wife of Raphael Vanell.
 Roll 28. Joan, wife of John Smyth.
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Sixth. Testaments.

Roll 16. Richard Barker.

Roll 28. William Bonefaunt.

Seventh. Corporation Grant.

Roll 20. To John Beehe, for his life, of a vacant place formerly of Christina Odylishoo, for tweldepence rent.

Eighth. Pie Pondré Courts on 5, 7, and 26.

49TH HENRY VI. AND 11TH EDWARD IV.

Numbered to 30, 26th lost ; all in bad state.

First. On 1, 14, and 23 the Leet Inquests.

Second. Officers, &c., 1st Roll. Woolhall £18, Hythe £35.

Third. Three Burgesses admitted at 23s. 4d.

Fourth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 11. Alice, wife of Thomas Clyngo.

Roll 24. Isabella, wife of Richard Marshall.

Fifth. A number of Deeds relating to the Title to an Estate at Head-gate, then belonging to John Trewe, on 13.

Sixth. Corporation Grant.

To Thomas Kirkeham Clerk of a Tenement next Cemetery of the Holy Trinity for a Rectory, to hold by the rod, &c.

13TH AND 14TH EDWARD IV.

Twenty-six Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 10, and 19.

Second. One Burgess admitted at 23s. 4d.

Third. Officers, &c., 1st Roll. Woolhall and Town Tolls let for £18, Hythe Tolls, &c., £32.

Fourth. Assize of Bread, Tuesday before Nativity (8), Friday before St. Valentine (13), Wednesday before Annunciation (17), Thursday before Nativity (23). The price of Wheat each time stated at 5s. 6d. the quarter.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

Roll 7. Margery, wife of John Vikery.

Roll 13. Margery, wife of John Newman.

Roll 17. Alice, wife of John Reve.

Roll 27. Margaret, wife of John Bosevield.

Sixth. Release.

Roll 6. John Algood to John Beche and others.

Seventh. The Bridge at the Hythe.

Roll 7. Grant by Bailiffs, &c., to Inhabitants of Hythe, right of way, &c., to build a Bridge of Stone or Timber there.

Roll 9. Grant by John, Duke of Norfolk, to same parties, of right of way over a piece of land at the Hythe which he had from Walter, Abbot of S^t. John's.

16TH AND 17TH EDWARD IV.

Thirty-one Rolls.

First. Leet Inquest on 2, 11, and 21.

Second. Twelve Burgesses admitted. One at 40s., one at 30s., two at 33s. 4d., one at 26s. 8d., and seven at 23s. 4d.

Third. Officers, &c., on Roll 1. Hythe only, rent £35.

Fourth. Assize of Bread.

				Corn per quarter.		
				s.	d.	
Tuesday after 11,000 Virgins	6 6	Roll 5.
Fourth of December	6 0	Roll 9.
Friday after S ^t . Vincent	6 6	Roll 12.
Friday before Corpus Christi	6 0	Roll 24.

Fifth. Acknowledgments enrolled.

Roll 20. Alice, wife of John Boteler, senior (two).

Roll 24. Eleanor, wife of John Algood.

Roll 28. Alice, wife of Richard Welde.

Roll 30. Eleanor, wife of William Gamday.

Roll 31. Joan, wife of Richard Cosyn.

Sixth. Release.

Roll 30. John Weston to William Ford and Grace his wife.

Seventh. Corporation Grants.

Roll 19. To John Colyn, and Ann his wife, on surrender of Richard Welde, of Land, &c., sometime of Simon White, opposite S^t. Helen's Chapel. Rent twelpence.

Roll 19. To the same, on surrender of same party a Tenement in Maydenburgh Street, opposite door of Tenement pertaining to S^t. Helen's Chapel, at fourpence rent.

Eighth. Arbitration by the four Supervisors, or "Landlokers," on a party wall.
Roll 20.

Ninth. Dismissal of four Burgesses for "divers offences against the liberties and franchises," on 22.

Tenth. Pie Poudré Court, on 16, 23, and 25.

17TH AND 18TH EDWARD IV.

Twenty-nine Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 4, 14, and 18.

Second. One Burgess only admitted, at 26s. 8d.

Third. Officers, &c., 1st Roll. No demises of Tolls.

Fourth. Assize of Bread.

				Wheat per quarter.		
				s.	d.	
Friday before St. Thomas (December)	..	..	..	6	6	Roll 10.
Tuesday in Octaves of Epiphany (January)	..	..	..	6	6	Roll 10.
Friday before St. Agatha (February)	..	..	..	7	0	Roll 13.
Friday before St. George (April)	..	..	..	8	0	Roll 18.

Fifth. Acknowledgments enrolled.

Roll 6. Cristina, wife of Henry Haukewode.

Roll 21. Margery, wife of John Bardolf.

Roll 25. Joan, wife of John Clerk.

Roll 27. Alice, wife of John Gamday.

Joan, wife of John Algood.

Sixth. Arbitration by Landlokers on 5.

Seventh. Pie Poudré Court on 8, 11, 14, 16, and 26.

20TH AND 21ST EDWARD IV.

Twenty-three Rolls, not extending to end of year.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 9, and 17.

Second. Five Burgesses admitted at 23s. 4d. each.

Third. Officers, &c., Roll 1. Only Hythe demise, £35.

Fourth. Assize of Bread.

				Wheat per quarter.		
				s.	d.	
Wednesday before St. Simon and Jude (October)	..	..	..	6	0	Roll 3.
Friday before St. Lucy (December)	..	..	..	6	0	Roll 9.
Friday in Vigil of St. Matthias (February)	..	..	..	6	6	Roll 13.
Friday after Ascension (May)	..	..	..	6	6	Roll 19.
Friday after Translation of St. Benedict (July)	..	..	..	6	6	Roll 22.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 3. Joan, wife of Robert Baker (two).
 Roll 4. Eleanor, wife of William Gamday.
 Roll 5. Joan, wife of James Northawe.
 Roll 7. Margaret, wife of Thomas Baroun.
 Roll 23. Lucy, wife of Thomas Profite.
 Margaret, wife of Thomas Wolferton.
 Roll 24. Alice, wife of Richard Welde.
 Anne, wife of Henry Bere.

Sixth. Releases.

- Roll 15. Parker and others to South, and South to William Bolte.
 Roll 20. Thomas Drake to William Pykenham Clerk and others.

Seventh. An Election of a Serjeant at Mace in place of one in the King's service.

21ST AND 22ND EDWARD IV.

Numbered to 39, of which No. 27 lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 16, and 26.

Second. Five Burgesses admitted. One at 30s., two at 26s. 8d., two at 23s. 4d.

Third. Officers, &c., on Roll 1. Hythe Tolls £35.

Fourth. Assize of Bread.

				Wheat.		
				s.	d.	
Thursday before the Purification..	..	..	..	9	6	Roll 19.
Friday before Trinity	..	..	..	13	6	Roll 30.
Friday before S'. Laurence	..	..	..	10	0	Roll 38.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 3. Anne, wife of Thomas Bernard.
 Joan, wife of Walter Lopham.
 Roll 7. Elizabeth, wife of John Litewyn.
 Roll 13. Lucy, wife of Thomas Profite.
 Roll 15. Agnes, wife of Thomas Balstone.
 Roll 17. Joan, wife of John Ody.
 Margaret, wife of John Boseveld.
 Margaret, wife of Thomas Wolferton.
 Roll 23. Joan, wife of Robert Everard.
 Katherine, wife of Anthony Williamson.
 Alice, wife of William Prentys.
 Anne, wife of Henry Bere.
 Roll 31. Joan, wife of James Northawe (two).
 Roll 36. Joan, wife of William Evenot.
 Roll 39. Alice, wife of John Baroun.

Sixth. Releases enrolled.

- Roll 14. Katherine Sayer to John Thirskby and others.
 Elen Hubert, Widow, and others, to Richard Adelese.
 Roll 15. Master John Barfot Clerk and others to John Whitere, senior, and others.
 Roll 23. John Levington and others to Henry Bere and others.
 Roll 29. Richard Withermersh and others to William, Abbot of S^t. John.

Seventh. Testaments.

- Roll 7. Thomas Kersey.
 Roll 21. Sir Thomas Cook.

Eighth. Pie Poudré Court on 39.

1ST AND 2ND RICHARD III.

About twenty-eight Rolls, in a very decayed state, must be touched with great care, two first Rolls gone.

- First. Leet Inquests on 9 and 20.
 Second. No Burgesses' admissions.
 Third. No List of Officers or Toll demises.
 Fourth. Assize of Bread.

				Wheat.		
				s.	d.	
Friday after S ^t . Leonard (November)	8	0	Roll 4.
Friday before S ^t . Andrew (November)	8	0	Roll 7.
Friday before S ^t . Thomas (December)	8	0	Roll 7.
Friday before Purification (February)	8	0	on fragment.
Friday after Corpus Christi (June)	7	6	Roll 11.
Friday before Michaelmas	6	6	Roll 28.

Fifth. A few Acknowledgments and Releases, but the state of the Rolls prevents a List of them being made.

Sixth. Pie Poudré Courts on 18 and 25.

2ND AND 3RD RICHARD III.

Thirty-one Rolls, less No. 2, lost.

- First. Leet Inquests on 1, 12, and 21.
 Second. Three Burgesses admitted at 23s. 4d.
 Third. Officers, &c., on Roll 1. Hythe Tolls let for £35, Woolhall, &c., £16.

Fourth. Assize of Bread.

		Wheat.		
		s.	d.	
Friday after Commemoration of Souls (November)		Roll 6.
Friday after Conception of Virgin (December)	5 6	Roll 11.
Friday in feast of S ^t . Hilary (January)	5 6	Roll 11.
Friday before S ^t . Peter's Chair (February)	5 0	Roll 16.
Friday before Close of Easter (April)	5 0	Roll 19.
Friday before Ascension (May)	5 0	Roll 23.
Thursday after S ^t . Peter in Chains (August)	5 0	Roll 31.

Fifth. Acknowledgments.

- Roll 10. Agnes, wife of Richard Overton.
 Roll 19. Katherine, wife of John Chercheman.
 Lucy, wife of Thomas Profite.
 Roll 20. Matilda, wife of Richard Maidstone.
 Agnes, wife of John Tompson.
 Roll 24. Margaret, wife of William Smyth.
 Roll 29. Agnes, wife of Robert Cokke.

Sixth. No Pie Poudré Courts this year.

Not a fragment of a Roll of Henry VII.'s time remains. Portions of the Monday and Thursday Court Books have been found in a decayed state, and have been placed in a case for preservation from further injury. These and the Notes from page 159 to 174 of the "Oath Book," made from the Rolls themselves about the end of the 16th century, contain all that can now be gathered respecting the proceedings of that period.

Court Rolls of Henry VIII.'s time have been very irregularly and loosely kept—here and there a year's Rolls are tolerably complete, but generally they present merely the skeleton, left to be, but never, filled up.

To save needless repetition, wherever the first Roll exists in succeeding Rolls it *invariably* contains the following particulars :—

1. A complete List of the Corporation.
2. Election of the Serjeants.
3. The Serjeants' Recognizances.

Whenever the first Roll is lost these matters will be looked for in vain.

1ST AND 2ND HENRY VIII.

Thirty Rolls, 1, 2, and 19 lost.

First. Lect Inquests on 10,

Second. Four Burgesses admitted at 23s. 4d., one at 20s.

Third. Assize of Bread.

Second of August, Wheat 5s. per quarter. Roll 29.

Thirty-first of August, Wheat 5s. 6d. per quarter. Roll 30.

Fourth. Acknowledgments of Married Women on 5, 11, 27, and 30.

No other Deeds or Wills.

2ND AND 3RD HENRY VIII.

Seventeen Rolls, loosely entered up and not paged.

First. Michaelmas Inquest on 1st Roll.

Second. Seven Burgesses admitted at 23s. 4d., and one gratis.

Third. Assize of Bread, Friday after St. Leonard's, Wheat 6s. 6d., on Roll 6. and thirty-first of March (no price of Wheat) on 16.

Fourth. Acknowledgments on 7, 8, 9, and 11.

3RD AND 4TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 1 and 8. Chamberlain made Burgess.

Second. Assize of Bread, Wednesday before St. Thomas Apostle, Wheat 8s. Roll 6.

Third. Proceedings on 17 against an alleged Intruder, who thereupon proved himself to have been born free at Lexden, and was admitted gratis.

Fourth. Acknowledgments on 6, 17, and 20.

4TH AND 5TH HENRY VIII.

Fifteen Rolls unpagged (till now).

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 5, and 9.

Second. New Burgesses. Two at 23s. 4d., two at 20s.

Third. Assize of Bread. Rolls 14 and 15.

Thursday after S^t. Denis.

Friday after S^t. Katherine, Wheat 12s. a quarter.

Tuesday after S^t. David, Wheat 12s. a quarter.

Tuesday after S^t. Gregory, Wheat 13s. 6d. a quarter.

Monday in Close of Easter, Wheat 13s. 6d. a quarter.

Fourth. One Acknowledgment and one Release.

6TH AND 7TH HENRY VIII.

Thirty-one Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 12, and 21, and Sessions on 5 and 10.

Second. Eight new Burgesses at 20s., two at 23s. 4d., one at 26s. 8d.

Third. Assize of Bread on 29, Wheat 7s. a quarter in October, November 6s., January 6s.

Fourth. Acknowledgments on 20 and 31, and a Release on 19. Only the heads and tails of Courts. No notice of Queen Katherine's Visit.

7TH AND 8TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-three Rolls, less 3, 4, and 5, lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 11, and 16.

Second. Seven Burgesses. Three at 20s. 6d., two at 6s. 8d., one at 10s., and one free.

Third. Assize of Bread on Roll 23. Sixth of November Wheat 8s., fourteenth December the same, February (nil).

Fourth. Acknowledgments on 6 and 18.

Fifth. Corporation demise of four Butchers' Stalls in Market on 18.

The Hundred and Foreign Courts, few entries.

8TH AND 9TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-four Rolls, many not paged.

First. Leet Inquest on first Roll.

Second. Three Burgesses at 20s., one re-admitted 6s. 8d.

Third. Acknowledgments on 12 and 16. Release on 4.

Fourth. Admission of Oral Proof of Contract for the Sale of a House on 18.

Fifth. A Roll of Deeds relating to the Estate of one John Bonham, Esquire, in Hadleigh and other places, enrolled here at his request (and cost).

Sixth. Sessions of the Peace, when divers rioters were punished, the principal offender, one William Griffith, alias Gryffyn, a "barbour," was fined £3. 6s. 8d., a small sum for his great offence. He and the others assembled in the street between ten and eleven at night, and attacked John Maykyn, one of the Bailiffs, and his companion, one of the Serjeants, exclaiming, "in English words," Down wyth the Bayly ! down w' him ! He was further fined 40s. for assaulting the Serjeant. 15th December.

9TH AND 10TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-seven Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 3, and 4.

Second. Five Burgesses paid 23s. 4d., three 20s.

Third. Assize of Bread on Roll 2. October, Wheat 8s., Roll 3. December, Wheat 8s. 6d., March, Wheat 8s., May 7s., on Roll 4.

Fourth. Acknowledgments on 8, 16, 21, and 27.

Fifth. Releases on 8 and 26.

Sixth. Fines of Oyster Dredgers on 25.

10TH AND 11TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty paged Rolls, but two of Nos. 14, 17, and 18.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 3, and 4.

Second. Two Burgesses admitted at 20s. 6d.

Third. Assize of Bread (no price of Wheat given) October on 2, December on 4, March on 2.

Fourth. Acknowledgments on 10, 16, and 20, and Release on 16.

The entries are particularly deficient this year.

11TH AND 12TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-three Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 3, and 4.

Second. Eight Burgesses paid 20s., two 23s. 4d.

Third. Acknowledgments on 11 and 16, Release on 11.

Fourth. Election of Bailiff in place of Thomas Christmas, deceased, on 8th February, when his son John elected in his room, on Roll 13.

Fifth. Corporation Grant.

To Thomas Barton a piece of Garden under the Town Wall in St. Mary's, rent ninepence, fine eightpence.

12TH AND 13TH HENRY VIII.

Paged to 27, of which 3 and 4 are lost.

First. Leet Inquest only on 1.

Second. No Burgesses' admissions left.

Third. Assize of Bread in December, Wheat 13s. 6d., on 2.

Fourth. Acknowledgments on 18, 20, and 25, and Release on 18.

Fifth. William Debenham having refused to attend the Michaelmas Assembly, is summoned and remonstrated with by the Bailiffs, to whom he uses strong language, duly recorded, and finally is fined five pounds, and ordered to be kept "in ward" during their pleasure. See 18.

Sixth. Corporation Demise.

To William Jopson, of lands and Tenements in Maydenborowe Street, at two shillings rent.

Seventh. The last Roll contains the fines for the year.

13TH AND 14TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-six Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 10, and 20, Sessions 3, 11, and 21.

Second. Four Burgesses 20s. each, two at 23s. 4d.

Third. Acknowledgments on 3, 13, 20, 23, 24, and 26, and Releases on 8 and 26.

Fourth. Chamberlain fined £3. 6s. 8d. for refusing office.

14TH AND 15TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-three Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 3, and 5, Sessions on 3, 4, and 5.

Second. Thirteen Burgesses admitted at 20s. 6d.

Third. Assize of Bread on 18. November (Wheat 6s. 6d.), January (Wheat 8s.), May (Wheat 7s.), August (Wheat 8s.)

Fourth. Chamberlain refusing office fined £3. 6s. 8d.

Fifth. Acknowledgments on 15 and 22.

Sixth. List of Fines for the year on 23.

16TH AND 17TH HENRY VIII.

Seventeen Rolls, less No. 13, lost. Several of the end of the year also gone.

First. Leet Inquests on 2 and 8, Sessions (Hilary) 8.

Second. Three Burgesses admitted at 20s. 6d. each.

Third. No Acknowledgments or Releases left.

17TH AND 18TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty Rolls remaining.

First. Leet Inquests on 1, 8, and 11, Sessions (Hilary) 13.

Second. Seven Burgesses paid 20s. 6d. each.

Third. Acknowledgments on 6, 12, 16, and 20.

Fourth. Releases on 20.

On last remaining Roll are some Verdicts of the "Landlokers."

18TH AND 19TH HENRY VIII.

Nineteen Rolls remaining.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 8, and 19, Sessions on 2 and 8.

Second. Four Burgesses admitted at 20s. 6d.

Third. Acknowledgments on 3, 4, 11, and 12, and a Release on 12.

Fourth. Testament.

Roll 12. James Aleyn.

On Roll 4, in a Deed acknowledged by Alice Lovekyn, the premises conveyed are "a Croft of Land called 'Mabellys Pightell,' or 'Mabylls Pychtell,' containing five acres, next a certain field called Drnerye's Field, on one part, and a certain Croft called Puttock's Crouch on the other part. One head abutting on land called Clerk's Land, and the other on Holmer Lane." A note in the handwriting of Morant states it was deposited in St. Mary's Parish Chest because of this description of "Mabel's Pightle," a name quite forgotten in the parish. It was restored to its proper repository in 1821.

19TH AND 20TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 9, and 15.

Second. Five Burgesses paid 20s. each, two natives admitted free.

Third. Acknowledgments on 8, 9, 12, and 13.

Fourth. On Roll 20 Goods of a Fugitive detailed, appraised, and taken possession of.

Fifth. On same Roll is an account of the gain of Corn that came to the Hythe, as well Wheat as Barley, £8. 15s. 6d. The "Barley money reckoning," after Michaelmas Day, produced to the town 48s. 10d., of which 6s. 8d. was paid to Mr. Flyngant for his cost "spent on the Whete bought at Harwich."

21ST AND 22ND HENRY VIII.

Twenty-four Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 5, 9, and 18.

Second. Four Burgesses admitted free, two at 20s. 6d.

Third. Assize of Bread on 24 (September), Wheat 9s. a quarter.

Fourth. Acknowledgments on 8, 10, 11, 16, and 17.

Fifth. Releases on 8.

On 16, a marginal note in a case of debt is of interest.

Discontinued by
Defendant's
death. Hung in
the Market. } Francis Lepson complained of John King in a Plea of Debt of 40s., pledge to prosecute.
John Mace.

On dorse of 1 the following appears :—

"John Raynforth, Knight, born in Bradfield, Essex, sought admission to the liberties and is created a Burgess, and pardoned the fine, for he was elected a Burgess for Parliament this year."

“Richard Antony, Gentleman, born in Devynshire, of the Parish of St. Giles in the Fields,” in the same terms.

“Afterwards, by the command and special desire of the Earl of Oxford, he renounced the Office of Burgess in Parliament.”

And afterwards, at the special request of the said Earl made to the Bailiffs, the aforesaid Antony resigned his Office of Burgess of Parliament to Richard Ryche, Gentleman, one of the Council of the said Earl.

And thereupon came Richard Ryche, Gentleman, born at Basyngstoke, and sought, &c., and is created, &c., and fine pardoned, and he is elected a Burgess in Parliament in the place of Antony, and so associated with Sir John Raynforth, Knight.

22ND AND 23RD HENRY VIII.

Numbered to 22, of which No. 19 lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 9, and 14, Sessions on same.

Second. One Burgess paid 23s. 4d.

Third. Assize of Bread on 22, December and May, Wheat at same price, viz., 10s. a quarter.

Fourth. Acknowledgments on 6, 10, 15, and 20.

Fifth. Releases on 10 and 15.

23RD AND 24TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-three Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 5, 9, and 16, Sessions on 16. On 9 the Leet express great dissatisfaction at fines not being enforced, particularly as to the River.

Second. Ten Burgesses admitted at 20s. each.

Third. Assize of Bread on 21, October (Wheat 13s. 6d.), December, March and June (Wheat 14s.)

A presentment for Witchcraft on 9.

Fourth. Acknowledgments on 12, 13, and 14.

24TH AND 25TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-four Rolls, unpagéd.

First. Leet Inquests on 5th, Sessions on same, and part of one on 14th.

Second. Five Burgesses at 20s., one at 13s. 4d. All paid now, in addition, a fee of sixpence to Chamberlain.

Third. Assize of Bread on 6th, October and December, Wheat 13s. a quarter.

Fourth. Acknowledgments on 7th, 16th, 18th, and 20th.

25TH AND 26TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-six Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 11, and 20.

- Second. Six Burgesses paid 20s., one 13s. 4d.
Third. Assize of Bread, July (22), September (26), Wheat 8s.
Fourth. Acknowledgments on 10, 14, 17, 24, and 26.

26TH AND 27TH HENRY VIII.

Fourteen Rolls.

- First. Leet Inquest on 2.
Second. Ten Burgesses admitted at 20s. each.
Third. Assize of Bread 3, December, Easter, and June, Wheat 8s.
Fourth. Acknowledgments and Releases on 3, 7, 8, and 10.

27TH AND 28TH HENRY VIII.

Fourteen Rolls, less No. 11, lost.

- First. Leet Inquests on 2, 3, and 5, Sessions on 6.
Second. Nine Burgesses admitted at 20s. each.
Third. Acknowledgments on 3, 4, and 5.

28TH AND 29TH HENRY VIII.

Seventeen Rolls.

- First. Leet Inquest on 2 only.
Second. Six Burgesses at 20s., one at 3s. 4d.
Third. Assize of Bread on 7, no price of Wheat stated.
Fourth. Acknowledgments on 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, and 16.

29TH AND 30TH HENRY VIII.

Eighteen Rolls, many unpagged.

- First. Leet Inquests on 2 and 13, Sessions on 3 and 12.
Second. Eleven Burgesses, 20s. each.
Third. Assize of Bread on 9, November (Wheat 8s. per quarter), and on 17 May (Wheat 8s. 6d.)
Fourth. Acknowledgments and Deeds enrolled on 5, 6, 8, 9, and 14.
Fifth. Testaments on 11.

On 3, Indictment of Rioters who broke down fences and rails at Milend ; result not stated, " Castle Field," " Claypit Field," &c.

Lord Audeley's wife acknowledged Deed on Roll 8. He was then Lord Chancellor. As to a House in St. Mary's.

30TH AND 31ST HENRY VIII.

Twelve Rolls left.

- First. Leet Inquests on 2 and 8, Sessions on 3 and 7.

Second. Assize of Bread on 7, no date or price of Wheat.

Third. Deeds enrolled 3, 4, 6, 9, and 12.

Fourth. Corporation Grant.

Roll 3. To Richard Spery of certain parcels of Tenements in Maydenborowe Street, for twelpepence rent.

31ST AND 32ND HENRY VIII.

Seventeen Rolls.

First. Leet on 2, 9, and 10, Sessions on 3 and 9.

Second. Seven Burgesses at 20s., one freeborn, gratis.

Third. Assize of Bread on 15 and 16, November, February, March, April (Wheat 8s.), July (9s.), September (8s.)

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 4, 7, 8, 15, 16, and 17.

32ND AND 33RD HENRY VIII.

Twenty Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 7, and 16.

Second. Four Burgesses at 20s. each.

Third. Assize of Bread on 20, November (Wheat 8s.), January (8s. 6d.), April (8s. 6d.), May (8s.), July (10s.)

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 4, 8, 10, 13, 17, 18, 19, and 20.

33RD AND 34TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-six Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 2 and 13, Sessions on 3 and 13.

Second. Ten Burgesses at 20s. each, one freeborn, gratis.

Third. Assize of Bread on 26, October and November (Wheat 11s.), December (10s.), May (12s.)

Fourth. First Gaol Delivery Roll, nothing of importance.

Fifth. Deeds enrolled on 5, 6, 7, 9, 14, 16, 19, and 24.

Sixth. Testaments on 5 and 6.

34TH AND 35TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-four Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 3, and 4, Sessions on 5.

Second. Three Burgesses admitted at 20s., other entries lost.

Third. Assize of Bread on 12, December and July (Wheat 13s. 4d.)

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 6, 9, 11, 12, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22, and 24.

Fifth. Testaments on 12 and 21.

Two parties fined for refusing Office of Chamberlain, and one for declining to be an Alderman.

35TH AND 36TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-five Rolls, less No. 13, lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 10, and 16, Sessions on 3, 10, and 16.

Second. Six Burgesses at 20s., one freeborn, gratis.

Third. Assize of Bread in August on 22 (Wheat 16s.)

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 5, 9, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, and 21.

Fifth. Testament.

Roll 23. Robert Tilliard.

A Chamberlain again refusing to serve, fined £3. 6s. 8d.

36TH AND 37TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-one Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests none, Sessions on 2, part of another.

Second. Eight new Burgesses paid 20s. each, one native, free.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 4, 5, 6, 8, 11, and 13.

Fourth. Roll 3, a List of Amerciaments.

37TH AND 38TH HENRY VIII.

Twenty-three Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests 2 and 3, Sessions 3 and 4.

Second. Seven new Burgesses at 20s., one freeborn, gratis.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, and 15.

1ST AND 2ND EDWARD VI.

Numbered to 24, of which No. 10 lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 2, 6, and 14.

Second. Six new Burgesses at 20s., one native, free.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 3, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16.

Fourth. Testament.

Roll 4. John Cakko.

3RD AND 4TH EDWARD VI.

Eleven Rolls, some unpagéd.

First. Leet Inquests on 1st, 5th, and 8th, Sessions 5th and 9th.

Second. Eleven new Burgesses at 20s., three gratis.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 4, 6, 10, 11, and 12.

4TH AND 5TH EDWARD VI.

Twenty Rolls, unpagéd throughout.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 8, and 14.

Second. Twelve new Burgesses at 20s., three gratis.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 4, 5, 9, 10, 15, 16, and 17.

Fourth. Testaments on 10.

5TH AND 6TH EDWARD VI.

Numbered to 32, of which 3, 10, 14, 15, 16, 29, 30, 31, are lost.

First. Leet Inquests on 2 and 23, Sessions on 2.

Second. Three new Burgesses at 20s. each.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 4, 6, 7, 17, 19, 24, 26, 27, and 28.

On 17, Grant of Chantry Lands by the King, and Mortgages to parties advancing the purchase-money to be paid into the Exchequer.

1ST MARY.

Twenty-two Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 6, and 11.

Second. Nine new Burgesses, of which five at 20s., rest not stated.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16.

On 10, a Deed acknowledged by Lady Audeley (wife of the Chancellor), of lands formerly Chantry Lands of St. Helen's Chapel, in Colchester and neighbourhood. "Cheldewell," "Gore Pasture," &c.

1ST AND 2ND PHILIP AND MARY.

Twenty Rolls.

The first Roll contains, as usual, the Corporation List, Serjeants' Recognizances, &c., and so it continues as long as the Rolls continue. This year, it is noticeable, that this first Roll records that no less than three persons in succession declined the Office of Chamberlain, paying a fine of £3. 6s. 8d. each. A fourth was then elected and sworn.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 6, and 11.

Second. Ten new Burgesses at 20s. each, one gratis.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14, and 15.

2ND AND 3RD PHILIP AND MARY.

Twenty Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 3, and 4.

Second. Seven new Burgesses at 20s., and one at 10s.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 5, 6, 10, 11, 13, and 20.

No less than five persons in succession this year refused the Office of Chamberlain and paid the fine ; a sixth was elected and sworn. What could be the reason of this ?

4TH AND 5TH PHILIP AND MARY.

Seventeen Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 3, and 4.

Second. Thirty new Burgesses. Two at 40s., five at 20s., one at 15s., and the rest at 30s.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 5 to 10 inclusive.

On 7, a Grant of Swan Mark, in the Thames, and other Rivers of the Duchy of Lancaster, by Henry VIII. to Sir John Williams, Keeper of his Jewels, "enrolled at the request of Roger Amys, Esquire."

On 10, an enrolment of a Deed by one John Abel, Esquire, to Thomas Cosyn, of Lands at Great Horkesley, has a note added in 4th Elizabeth that it was a forged Deed, but why it was enrolled at Colchester is not stated.

On same Roll are the Orders "concluded and agreed" on the appointment of one John Cole, a Tailor, as Clerk of the Market. He was to receive all fines and fees, and 40s. yearly in addition. He was to collect the Town rents for the Chamberlain, and have 28s. 4d. yearly for that. He was also to act as Town Surveyor, for which he was to have 13s. 4d. yearly. He was to take care of the Corn left unsold in the Corn Market, but the rest of his duties and emoluments are lost by decay of the Parchment.

5TH AND 6TH PHILIP AND MARY, AND 1ST ELIZABETH.

Twenty-two Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 3, and 4.

Second. Fifteen new Burgesses. One at £3. 6s. 8d., one at 53s. 4d., four at 40s., one at 33s. 4d., six at 30s., two gratis.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 5 to 16 inclusive.

On 10, Assizes at Brentwood 22nd February, 1st Elizabeth. The Jury presented that Leonard Medcalf had, on the 17th August then last, assaulted one John

Roberds, then dredging Oysters in Burflete, in Brickelsey, by order of the Bailiffs, and within the Jurisdiction and Franchise of Colchester, and put him in fear of his life, and his Oyster Dredge, value five shillings, threw into the water, where it sank, to the grave damage, &c. No further proceeding is here recorded.

1ST AND 2ND ELIZABETH.

Eighteen Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 3, and 4.

Second. Twenty-one new Burgesses. One at 53s. 4d., three at 40s., nine at 30s., one at 20s., and five gratis.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, and 13.

2ND AND 3RD ELIZABETH.

Seventeen Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 3, and 4.

Second. Thirteen new Burgesses. One at £4, one at 53s. 4d., one at 50s., six at 40s., one at 33s. 4d., two at 30s., and one gratis ; two re-admitted, one at 5s., the other at 3s. 4d.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 5 to 13 inclusive.

Fourth. Testament.

Roll 10. William Blyott.

Fifth. Three Apprenticeship Indentures, all to "John Hogg, Minstrel," 14.

4TH AND 5TH ELIZABETH.

Sixteen Rolls, some not paged, all in a bad state from damp.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2 and 3.

Second. Fourteen new Burgesses. Two at 40s., five at 26s. 8d., one at 20s., one at 15s., one at 30s., and four free.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 4, 5, 11, to 14 inclusive.

5TH AND 6TH ELIZABETH.

Of nineteen Rolls No. 3 only lost.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2 and 4.

Second. Twenty-one Burgesses admitted. One at £4, one at 50s., twelve at 40s., three at 30s., three at 20s., and one free.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 4, 6, 9, 10, and 11.

6TH AND 7TH ELIZABETH.

Four Rolls only, not paged.

First. Fourteen new Burgesses. Two at £3, one at 46s. 8d., two at 40s., five at 30s., one at 20s., the rest free.

Second. Deeds enrolled on 3 and 4.

7TH AND 8TH ELIZABETH.

Five Rolls, not numbered.

First. *Fifty-five* Burgesses admitted. One at £5, one at 53s. 4d., two at 40s., one at 33s. 4d., three at 30s., one at 20s., one at 10s., two at 5s., and *forty-three* free.

Second. Deeds enrolled on 3 and 4.

8TH AND 9TH ELIZABETH.

Six numbered Rolls, of which No. 3 lost.

First. Eight new Burgesses. One at £3, two at 50s., two at 30s., one at 20s., and two free.

Second. Deeds enrolled on 2, 5, and 6.

9TH AND 10TH ELIZABETH.

Nine Rolls, never paged.

First. Eight new Burgesses. One at 33s. 4d., one free, and the rest at 30s. each.

Second. Deeds enrolled on 2 and 5.

10TH AND 11TH ELIZABETH.

Nine Rolls, unpagged.

First. Sixteen new Burgesses. One at 40s., one at 33s. 4d., six at 30s., one at 20s., one at 15s., and six free.

Second. Deeds enrolled on 3 and 5.

11TH AND 12TH ELIZABETH.

Eleven Rolls, not numbered.

First. Fourteen new Burgesses. One at 53s. 4d., four at 40s., five at 30s., one at 20s., and three gratis.

Second. Deeds enrolled on 2, 4, and 6.

12TH AND 13TH ELIZABETH.

Twelve Rolls, a few of the earlier ones paged, the others not.

First. Nine new Burgesses. Two at 40s., three at 30s., four free, one a Burgess in Parliament.

Second. Deeds enrolled on 4 to 9 inclusive.

Third. On 10, Scrutators of Woollen Cloths appointed and sworn.

13TH AND 14TH ELIZABETH.

Fifteen Rolls, not paged.

First. Twenty-seven new Burgesses. One at £4, one at 40s., three at 33s. 4d., fifteen at 30s., two at 26s. 8d., and five free.

Second. Deeds enrolled on 3, 4, 6, and 7.

Third. On 7, Election of Burgesses in Parliament, of the record of it the following is a translation :—

“ Law Hundred Court, &c., 24th March 14th year.”

“ At this Court the Bailiffs, Aldermen, and Commons elected, according to ancient Custom, Robert Christmas and Henry Golding, Esquires, Burgesses for the Burgh aforesaid, for Parliament, to be holden at Westminster the 8th May following.”

15TH AND 16TH ELIZABETH.

Eighteen Rolls, paged.

First. Thirteen new Burgesses. Two at 33s. 4d., four at 30s., one at 26s. 8d., one at 24s., one at 20s., and four free.

Second. Deeds enrolled on 2, 3, 5 to 8, 10 to 18, all inclusive.

16TH AND 17TH ELIZABETH.

Twenty Rolls.

First. A single Roll of the Michaelmas Leet, 1 a, showing that their absence is caused by loss, and that they had not been discontinued.

Second. Thirteen new Burgesses. One at 53s. 4d., three at 40s., one at 33s. 4d., four at 30s., one at 26s. 8d., one at 20s., two gratis.

Third. Assize of Bread, November (6), Wheat 24s. the quarter, September (15), Wheat 20s., Malt 11s.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16.

17TH AND 18TH ELIZABETH.

Twenty-two Rolls, unpagged.

No Corporation List for the first time for many years.

First. Six new Burgesses. One at 33s. 4d., two at 30s., one at 10s., and two gratis.

Second. Deeds enrolled on 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 to 12 inclusive.

19TH AND 20TH ELIZABETH.

Thirty-one Rolls, in good order.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 3, and 4.

Second. Sixty-eight new Burgesses. Nine at 40s., one at 36s. 8d., two at 33s. 4d., thirty at 30s., two at 26s. 8d., one at 20s., one at 10s., and twenty-two gratis.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, and 22.

Fourth. On 15 and 29 Licences for Summer Dredgers.

Fifth. A Measurer for New Hythe sworn, on 8, and on 24th April, 1578, Conference about Old Hythe and Colne Water.

On 15, a man elected a free Burgess on condition of his taking a poor town boy apprentice for twelve years.

20TH AND 21ST ELIZABETH.

Thirty-four Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 3, and 4.

Second. Sixteen new Burgesses. One at £5, one at £4, one at £3, one at 53s. 4d., three at 40s., two at 33s. 4d., one at 10s., and six gratis.

Third. Dredgers' Licences on 15, 23, and 33, and fines on last.

Fourth. Assize of Bread on 7, November, Wheat 20s. a quarter.

Fifth. Deeds enrolled 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23, and 24.

Sixth. Writ for Election of Burgess in Parliament and return, that "Bailiffs, Aldermen, and Common Council assembled," elected Robert Middleton, Junior, Esquire.

Endorsed as produced in 1727 in *Waldegrave v. Corporation*.

21ST AND 22ND ELIZABETH.

The Parchment Rolls, if ever made up, have been lost; the parcel marked for this year contains a heap of little scraps of paper, pleas, declarations, affidavits, enrolments, squeezed together in a Parchment Roll; arrangement is hopeless.

22ND AND 23RD ELIZABETH.

Twenty-eight Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 3, 5, 7, and 8.

Second. Deeds enrolled on 4, 9, 10, 12, 14 to 26, and 28.

Third. Twenty new Burgesses. One at £3. 13s. 4d., two at £3, one at 46s. 8d., one at 45s., eight at 40s., four at 30s., and three free.

23RD AND 24TH ELIZABETH.

Thirty-six Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 2, 3, 4, and 5.

Second. Twenty-eight Burgesses admitted. Two at £3, one at 53s. 4d., one at 46s., five at 40s., eight at 33s. 4d., two at 30s., one at 10s., the rest free.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 7, 8, 9, 12 to 19, 22, 27, 31 to 36, all inclusive (including Apprenticeship Indentures).

24TH AND 25TH ELIZABETH.

Twenty-three Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 22 and 23.

Second. Seventeen new Burgesses. Three at £4, one at £3, one at 53s. 4d., three at 40s., three at 33s. 4d., and six free.

Third. Assize of Bread (2), October, Wheat 18s. 6d. a quarter.

Fourth. Dredgers' Licences and Fines on 19 and 20.

Fifth. Deeds enrolled on 6, 7, 9, 10, 14 to 20 inclusive.

Sixth. Fines for Anchorage in River by Mersea Stone, 1727, produced in *Waldegrave v. Corporation*.

25TH AND 26TH ELIZABETH.

Thirty-two Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 30, 31, and 32.

Second. Twenty-two new Burgesses. One at £5, two at £3, four at £2, three at 36s. 8d., three at 33s. 4d., two at 33s., four at 30s., and three free.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 to 29; a large proportion Apprenticeship Indentures.

26TH AND 27TH ELIZABETH.

Thirty Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 28, 29, and 30.

Second. Twenty-three new Burgesses. One at £5, one at £3. 6s. 8d., one at £3, one at 53s. 4d., five at 40s., four at 33s. 4d., one at 32s., three at 30s., and six gratis.

Third. Recoveries on 5 and 9. Deeds enrolled on 4, 7, 10, 13, 25, and 27. Fifteen Apprenticeship Indentures.

The *form* of Judgment "by the Tumbrell" for Adultery, &c., of which cases occur in every year, may be seen on 22.

27TH AND 28TH ELIZABETH.

Thirty-seven Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 34 to 37.

Second. Seventeen new Burgesses. Two at £6, one at £3, three at 46s. 8d., six at 40s., two at 33s. 4d., and three free.

Third. Dredgers admitted on 12.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 7, 10, 14, 15, 17, 25, 26, and 32. Twenty-one Apprenticeship Indentures.

Fifth. Bakers' Recognizances on 2 and 30.

Sixth. Anchorage at Boreflete paid on 29.

28TH AND 29TH ELIZABETH.

Thirty-nine Rolls.

First. On the Corporation List, the first Roll, it is recorded that one Lambert refused to be Alderman and Bailiff, "not in contempt, but by reason of his infirmity," therefore fined only £13. 6s. 8d. But on the third Roll, one Buckston is recorded to have refused the Office of Alderman, for which he was dismissed from his freedom and fined £60, but was graciously re-admitted on submission and payment of fine, one Barlow being elected an Alderman in his stead.

Second. Leet Inquests and Sessions on 37, 38, and 39.

Third. Twenty-six new Burgesses. One at 53s. 4d., ten at 40s., three at 33s. 4d., two at 30s., one at 20s., and nine free.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 4, 11, 14, 20, 25, 31, 33, 35, and 36.

Fifth. Recoveries suffered on 15, 17, and 19.

Sixth. Assize of Bread on 18, June, Wheat 46s. 6d. a quarter, Rye 27s.

Seventh. Porters and Measurers at Hythe sworn, 15.

A case of Assize of Fresh Force on 11.

On 15, a safe conduct or protection from the Governor of Zeland for one James Prior, "streightly charging all Bailiffs, Justices, &c., not to sue, arrest, molest, or trole" him.

29TH AND 30TH ELIZABETH.

Thirty-one Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests on 29, 30, and 31.

Second. Seven new Burgesses. One at £8, one at £3, two at 40s., one at 30s.. the rest gratis.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 4, 6, 17, 19, 21, 22, 24, 27. Recoveries on 10 and 12. Eleven Apprentice Indentures.

Fourth. Testament.

Roll 10. Margaret Fludd.

On 3, a safe conduct to Thomas Hill by the Governor of Flushing, said Hill being his purveyor.

30TH AND 31ST ELIZABETH.

Thirty-three Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests, &c., on 31, 32, and 33.

Second. Eight new Burgesses. One at £4, one at 53s. 4d., five at 40s., and one at 30s.

Third. Bakers' and Brewers' Recognizances, 21.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 2, 4, 7, 9, 11, 12, 13, 16, 18, 26, 29, and 30. Recoveries on 10 and 15. Thirteen Apprentice Indentures.

31ST AND 32ND ELIZABETH.

Twenty-five Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests gone.

Second. Fourteen new Burgesses. One at £3, one at 46s., two at 40s., three at 33s. 4d., four at 30s., and three free, "because they either took a town lad apprentice," or "educated a poor lad of the town."

Third. Bakers' Recognizances 2, Brewers 14.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 16, 19, 22, and 23.

Fifth. Recovery Deeds on 2, 3, 6, and 8. Eleven Apprentice Indentures.

Sixth. Testaments.

Roll 7. Humfrey Earle.

Roll 17. Thomas Woodward.

32ND AND 33RD ELIZABETH.

Thirty-five Rolls.

First. Leet Inquests, &c., gone.

Second. Eighteen new Burgesses. One at £5, two at £3, one at 53s. 4d., one at 46s. 8d., two at 45s., two at 40s., one at 30s., one at 3s. 4d., and seven free. The one who paid 3s. 4d. was a former Apprentice of a *free burgess*, the first I have noticed. They appear now nearly every year at the uniform fine of 3s. 4d.

Third. Assize of Bread on 35, September, Wheat 23s.

Fourth. Bakers' Recognizances 3, "Bruers" 4, Wardens of Butchers sworn 23.

Fifth. Dredgers' Licences 14.

Sixth. Deeds enrolled on 2, 3, 7, 8, 11, 14, 16, 21, 25, 30, 32, and 33. Recovery 5. Seventeen Apprentice Indentures.

Seventh. Testament of Stephen Holt.

A lad of 14 appoints a Guardian before the Bailiffs, or, as called on the Roll, a "Gardener" of all his lands, 13.

On 9 are Letters Testimonial or Certificates from the Mayor of Sandwich of Baptism of two persons admitted Burgesses of Colchester.

A stray horse reclaimed on 29.

33RD AND 34TH ELIZABETH.

Twenty-five Rolls.

First. No Leet or Sessions Rolls.

Second. Nineteen new Burgesses. Three at 40s., one at £3. 6s. 8d., one at 53s. 4d., four (Apprentices) at 3s. 4d., nine gratis.

Third. Assize of Bread on 23, June, Wheat 18s. a quarter. Wardens of Bakers sworn on 2.

Fourth. Scrutators of Leather elected and sworn, 2, Wool Wardens on 7.

Fifth. Dredgers' Licences "this summer," 11.

Sixth. Deeds enrolled on 4, 7, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 20, 23, and 25. Recovery on 3. Seventeen Apprentices' Indentures.

Letters Patent for making Starch on 12.

34TH AND 35TH ELIZABETH.

Twenty-five Rolls.

First. Leet Rolls lost.

Second. Twenty-four new Burgesses. One at 40s., one at 53s. 4d., ten at 30s., one at 26s. 8d., five at 3s. 4d., and six free.

Third. Assize of Bread, March ("Middle Wheat" 21s. 6d.), 9.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 2, 4, 12, 14, 17, 18, 21, 23, 24. Recovery on 7. Eighteen Apprentices' Indentures and five Contracts with Workmen.

Fifth. Testament.

Rolls 4 and 5. Robert Lambert.

35TH AND 36TH ELIZABETH.

Twenty-one Rolls.

First. Leet Rolls gone.

Second. Twenty-six Burgesses admitted. Two at £5, one at £4, ten at 40s., one at 30s., four at 3s. 4d., and eight free.

Third. Assize of Bread.

Roll 2. October, Middle Wheat 24s. per quarter.

Roll 5. February, D°. 28s. „

Roll 10. September, D°. 42s. 10d. „

Fourth. Dredgers' Licences 8.

Fifth. Deeds enrolled on 3, 4, 8, 9, 13, 18, 19, and 20. Twenty Apprentices' Indentures. Four Workmens' Contracts.

36TH AND 37TH ELIZABETH.

Thirty-two Rolls.

First. No Leet Rolls.

Second. Twenty new Burgesses. One at £3. 6s. 8d., one at 53s. 4d., one at 40s., one at 33s. 4d., three at 30s., three at 3s. 4d., ten free.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 18, 20 to 24. Recovery on 7. Twenty Apprentices' Indentures.

On 22, the " Landlokers " decided a question of right to put out doors and windows into a Meadow of Sir Thomas Lucas, after a view, in his favour, on the ground that they were not ancient easements, as appeared by the Wall—deciding at the cost of a few shillings what has many times cost hundreds of pounds.

37TH AND 38TH ELIZABETH.

Twenty-three Rolls.

First. *Fifty-six* new Burgesses. One at 40s., one at 16s. 8d., eight at 3s. 4d., and the rest gratis.

Second. Assize of Bread 5, November, Wheat 43.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 7, 8, 9, 11, 14, 15, 16, 21, and 23. Recovery on 7. Thirteen Apprentices' Indentures.

Fourth. Dredgers' Licences on 12.

38TH AND 39TH ELIZABETH.

Thirty-four Rolls.

First. Eleven new Burgesses. One at £3, one at 53s. 4d., one at 50s., three at 40s., one at 33s. 4d., one at 30s., and three gratis.

Second. Assize of Bread.

Roll 21. October, 38th year, Wheat 43s. 6d. a quarter.

Roll 4. November, 38th year, Wheat 48s. a quarter.

Roll 18. August, 39th year, Wheat 48s. a quarter.

Third. Dredgers' Licences, 16.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 4, 5, 9, 10, 12 to 19, 25, and 26. Recovery on 7, 8, and 9. Sixteen Apprentices' Indentures, and six Labourers' Contracts.

Fifth. Testaments.

Roll 7. John Hamond.

Roll 14. Arthur Wilson,

39TH AND 40TH ELIZABETH.

Twenty-two Rolls.

First. Twenty-two new Burgesses. One at £10, one at £3. 13s. 4d., three at £3. 6s. 8d., two at 50s., one at 46s. 8d., three at 40s., one at 35s., two at 33s. 4d., four at 3s. 4d., and four gratis. One of these last had his freedom on condition of providing for his father and mother during their lives.

Second. Assize of Bread.

Roll 12. October, Wheat 48s. per quarter.

Roll 4. February, Wheat 52s. „

Roll 10. August, Wheat 32s. 6d. „

Third. Dredgers' Licences, 9.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 1, 2, 4, 6, and 18. Recoveries on 5, 7, and 9. Seven Apprentices' Indentures.

40TH AND 41ST ELIZABETH.

Sixteen Rolls.

First. Twenty-one new Burgesses. One at £6. 13s. 4d., one at £3, two at 46s. 8d., seven at 40s., two at 33s. 4d., two at 30s., and six gratis.

Second. Assize of Bread in October, Wheat 32s. 6d., on 1.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 2 to 5, 7 to 11, 13 to 16 inclusive. Recovery on 6. Fourteen Apprentices' Indentures.

Fourth. Letters Patent to an Alien, whereupon he was made a Burgess, his fine, as above, £6. 13s. 4d.

41ST AND 42ND ELIZABETH.

Twenty-one Rolls.

First. The entry of Cases on the Roll at the Hundred and Foreign Courts, which from the first of Henry VIII. has not shown anything like the actual amount of business transacted, (as appears by the Court Books,) is now given up, at least for a time; the heading of each Court, and the amount of Fines and Fees, being all that is now given. Each Court has a statement thus:—

Warr (Warrants)	14 ^d .	} 5 ^s . 3 ^d . in Treasury.
Dies (Days)	3 ^s . 3 ^d .	
Plit (Pleas)	10 ^d .	

Second. Ten Burgesses admitted. One at 50s., one at 46s. 8d., two at 40s., one at 33s. 4d., three at 3s. 4d., two gratis.

Third. Dredgers' Licences on 19.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 2, 3, 5, 6 to 10, 13, and 14, and Recoveries on 10, 11, and 15. Twenty-six Apprentices' Indentures. Three Servants' Contracts.

42ND AND 43RD ELIZABETH.

Fourteen Rolls.

First. Eighteen new Burgesses. One at 50s., one at 46s. 8d., three at 3s. 4d., and thirteen free.

Second. An Ordinance for Aliens from the Exchequer on 4, and a Warrant under Privy Seal for safe conduct and protection for one John Luff.

Third. Dredgers licenced on 14.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 2, 4, 6 to 10 inclusive. Recovery on 2. Twenty Apprentices' Indentures.

43RD AND 44TH ELIZABETH.

Thirteen Rolls.

First. Twelve new Burgesses. One at £3, one at 53s. 4d., two at 40s., one at 33s. 4d., one at 30s., four at 3s. 4d., and two free.

Second. Assize of Bread on 2, October, Wheat 27s.

Third. Dredgers' Licences on 14.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 2, 3, 4, and 6. Thirty-two Apprentices' Indentures.

Fifth. A curious Letter of Protection to Benjamin Clerc, a Crown Debtor, for a certain term, to get in his debts.

44TH ELIZABETH AND 1ST JAMES I.

Sixteen Rolls.

First. Sixteen new Burgesses. One at £5, two at 40s., one at 33s. 4d., one at 20s., three at 3s. 4d., eight free.

Second. Election of Alderman (3), Serjeant-at-Mace (5).

Third. Two verdicts of "Landlokers" on Eaves' Drip, and repairs of a water-course in Lodders Lane—very good instances of the value of their services, on 15.

Fourth. Dredgers licenced on 16.

Fifth. Deeds enrolled on 2, 3, 4, 6 to 12, and 14. Nine Apprentices' Indentures.

2ND AND 3RD JAMES I.

Forty-one Rolls.

First. Court Proceedings entered up again fully.

Second. Seven new Burgesses. One at 40s., one at 5s. 4d., four at 3s. 4d., and one free.

Third. Dredgers' Licences on 38.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 3, 4, 5, 7 to 14, and 16. Recoveries on 1 and 10. Twenty-nine Apprentices' Indentures.

3RD AND 4TH JAMES I.

Forty-six Rolls.

First. Twenty-one new Burgesses. One at £3. 6s. 8d., three at 40s., one at 35s., one at 33s. 4d., one at 30s., three at 3s. 4d., and twelve gratis.

Second. Dredgers Licenced on 19.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 1, 2, 4, 6, 10 to 15, 18, 20, and 21. Recoveries on 4, 8, 13, 16, 17. Thirty-eight Apprentices' Indentures.

4TH AND 5TH JAMES I.

Thirty-eight Rolls.

First. Nineteen new Burgesses. One at £3, one at 53s. 4d., one at 46s. 8d., four at 40s., one at 33s. 4d., five at 30s., three at 3s. 4d., the rest free.

Second. Deeds enrolled 2 to 11, 13, 14, and 15. Recoveries on 2 and 3. Twenty-five Apprentices' Indentures.

Third. An Order set down for the Dutch Congregation, 18 February, 1605, by virtue of Letters from the Privy Council addressed to Sir Thomas Lucas, Edward Waldegrave, Esquire, and the Bailiffs.

5TH AND 6TH JAMES I.

Thirty-three Rolls.

First. Seven new Burgesses at 3s. 4d., eight free.

Second. Assize of Bread (2), November, Wheat 36s. (8), May, Wheat 45s.

Third. On 9, "The names of such persons as are appointed to enquire upon the Orders appointed by his Ma^{ty}. to be observed for preventing and remedying of the dearth of grain and other Victuals." Seven named for each of the four Wards.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, and 18. Recovery on 11. Eighteen Apprenticeship Indentures. It is a singular fact that for so many years these documents, which varied only in the names, and addresses, and trades, should have been copied verbatim.

6TH AND 7TH JAMES I.

Thirty Rolls.

First. The minutes of the Hundred and Foreign Courts are again slightly reduced by appearances, essoigns, and other formal proceedings being omitted, and the total of fees for them only being inserted each Court.

Second. Seventeen new Burgesses. One at 40s., four at 3s. 4d., two at 5s. 4d., and the rest gratis.

Third. Assize of Bread on 1, October, Wheat 50s.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 2 to 9, 11, 12, 16, and 17. Recoveries on 13 and 14. Fourteen Apprentices' Indentures.

Fifth. Election by Woollen Merchants of one Warden for the year, the Bailiff's electing the other.

7TH AND 8TH JAMES I.

Thirty-one Rolls.

First. Sixteen Burgesses admitted. One at £13. 6s. 8d., one at £3, one at 40s., two 30s., seven 3s. 4d., and four gratis.

Second. Assize of Bread in November, Wheat 39s. 6d.

Third. Dredgers Licenced, dorse of 31.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 2, 3, 5 to 16, 18 to 27. Recoveries on 11, 14, and 17. Thirty-nine Apprentices' Indentures.

9TH AND 10TH JAMES I.

Sixteen Rolls.

First. Seven new Burgesses. Five at 3s. 4d., two gratis.

Second. Assize of Bread, 16th December, Wheat 43s. Roll 7.

Third. Dredgers' Licences on 16.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 2 to 7, 9, 11 to 14. Seventeen Apprentices' Indentures.

10TH AND 11TH JAMES I.

Thirteen Rolls.

First. Twenty-two new Burgesses. One at £5, five at 40s., one at 13s. 4d., fourteen at 3s. 4d., and one native, free.

Second. Deeds enrolled on 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, and 12. Recovery on 11. Twenty-four Apprentices' Indentures.

Third. Dredgers' Licences on 14.

12TH AND 13TH JAMES I.

Forty Rolls.

First. Nineteen new Burgesses. One at £3. 6s. 8d., two at £3 (these also paid ten shillings each for the Poor), two at 50s. and 10s. each to the Poor, one at 46s., seven at 3s. 4d., and seven free.

Second. Assize of Bread on 3, December 10th, Wheat 38s. the quarter (16), August, Wheat 34s.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 3 to 7, 13, 14, 19, 20, and 40. Recoveries on 8, 11, and 15. Twenty-one Apprentices' Indentures.

Fourth. Testament.

Roll 28. Henry Osborn.

13TH AND 14TH JAMES I.

First. Sixty-eight new Burgesses.

	Fines.					£	s.	d.	
Two at £3	6	0	0
Two at 50 ^s	5	0	0
Twenty-five at 40 ^s	50	0	0
One at 35 ^s	1	15	0
Four at 33 ^s . 4 ^d	6	13	4
Eight at 30 ^s	12	0	0
Two at 26 ^s . 8 ^d	2	13	4
Three at 20 ^s	3	0	0
One at 12 ^s	0	12	0
One at 10 ^s	0	10	0
Nine at 3 ^s . 4 ^d	1	10	0
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						£89	13	8	

And ten free. The fines this year amounted to a handsome sum.

Second. Dredgers Licenced on 26.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 2 to 9. Twenty-nine Apprentices' Indentures.

One Langley elected an Alderman, refused to act, and was fined £80.

14TH AND 15TH JAMES I.

Thirteen Rolls.

First. Thirty-three Burgesses admitted. One at £6, one at £5, one at £3. 6s. 8d., one £3, one 50s., four at 46s. 8d., one 40s., two 33s. 4d., one 20s., eight 3s. 4d., and twelve free. Those paying 3s. 4d. Apprentices as heretofore.

Second. Assize of Bread.

Roll 2. November, Wheat 38s. a quarter.

Roll 5. March, Wheat 46s. „

Roll 8. August, Wheat 50s. „

Third. Dredgers' Licences on 13.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 2 to 10. One a Release of four Tenements, in Lodders Lane, formerly belonging to St. John's Abbey, to Sir Thomas Lucas. Twenty-seven Apprentices' Indentures.

15TH AND 16TH JAMES I.

Twenty Rolls.

First. Twenty-five new Burgesses. One at £5, three at £4, one at 40s., two at 20s., six at 3s. 4d., and twelve free.

Second. Assize of Bread on 14, October, Wheat 34s.

Third. Dredgers Licenced on 19.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 2 to 14 inclusive. *Forty-three* Apprentices' Indentures.

16TH AND 17TH JAMES I.

Numbered to 17, but 1st gone.

First. Sixteen new Burgesses. One at £3. 6s. 8d., one at £3, one at 40s., one at 20s., one at 50s., seven at 3s. 4d., and four gratis.

Second. Assize of Bread 4, November, Wheat 37s., and 13, September, Wheat 30s.

Third. Dredgers Licenced on 18.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled 2, 4 to 7, 10 to 13. Recoveries on 7 and 8. Thirty-three Apprentices' Indentures.

17TH AND 18TH JAMES I.

Twenty-six Rolls.

First. Twenty Burgesses admitted. One at £3. 6s. 8d., one at 50s., one at 46s. 8d., two at 40s., one at 20s., seven at 3s. 4d., and seven gratis.

Second. Measurers and Weighers at Hythe sworn, 12.

Third. Dredgers Licenced on 26.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 2 to 11, 13 to 19. Thirty-three Apprentices' Indentures.

On 23, the place for the punishment of "The Tumbrell," previously referred to, was stated to be round the Market on the Saturday.

18TH AND 19TH JAMES I.

Fifty-three Rolls, lost 20 and 33, torn out.

First. Twenty-five new Burgesses. One at £4, two at £3 6s. 8d., two at £3, fourteen at 3s. 4d. (apprentice qualification), and six free.

Second. Assize of Bread on 5, November, Wheat 28s.

Third. Dredgers' Licenced on 50.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 4, 5, 7, 10, 14, 16, 17, 19, 24 to 28. Thirty-four Apprentices' Indentures.

On 29, two letters certifying the bearers to be servants of Lord Stafford, engaged on his business, and warning all Mayors, Bailiffs, &c., against arresting, restraining, or imprisoning them; which would tend to infringe the ancient liberties and privileges of a peer of the realm during the time of this Parliament, May, 1621.

19TH AND 20TH JAMES I.

Fifty-five Rolls.

First. Nine new Burgesses admitted. One at 40s., three at 3s. 4d., the rest gratis.

Second. Assize of Bread.

Roll 25. April, Wheat 46s. a quarter.

Roll 47. May, Wheat 50s. a quarter.

Third. Dredgers Licenced on 54.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 3, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 19, 21 to 28, 32, 33, and 34. Recoveries 7, 15. Thirty-four Apprentices' Indentures, all copied verbatim, as usual.

20TH AND 21ST JAMES I.

Thirty-eight Rolls.

First. Nineteen new Burgesses. One at £3, one at 20s., six at 3s. 4d., and eleven free.

Second. Assize of Bread.

Roll 4. October, Wheat 50s. a quarter.

Roll 30. August, Wheat 43s. 6d. „

Roll 33. September, Wheat 40s., Rye 30s.

Third. Dredgers Licenced on 37.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 3 to 6, 10, 12, 14, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 25, 28, 30 to 32 inclusive. Recoveries on 15, 22, and 26. Twenty-one Apprentices' Indentures.

21ST AND 22ND JAMES I.

Twenty-one Rolls.

First. Twelve new Burgesses. One at 44s., five at 3s. 4d., the rest free.

Second. Dredgers Licenced on 20.

Third. Deeds enrolled 1 to 8, 11 to 14. Recovery on 2. Thirty Apprentices' Indentures.

On 6, a safe conduct to one Tillet, of Colchester, a Prisoner for debt in the Tower of London, for eight months, to collect his debts.

22ND AND 23RD JAMES I.

Twenty-nine Rolls.

First. Ten Burgesses admitted. One at £6. 13s. 4d., one at £3. 6s. 8d., one at £3, two at 26s. 8d., three at 3s. 4d., the rest free.

Second. Licences to Oyster Dredgers on 28.

Third. Deeds enrolled on 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 19 to 25. Recoveries 4 and 17. Seventeen Apprentices' Indentures.

Fourth. Assize of Bread on 20, July, Wheat 38s. a quarter.

1ST AND 2ND CHARLES I.

Twenty-one Rolls.

First. Twenty-three Burgesses admitted. Two at 40s., seven at 3s. 4d., and fourteen free.

Second. Assize of Bread.

Roll 2. October, Wheat 51s., Rye 48s. a quarter.

Roll 17. September, Wheat 38s., Rye 26s. a quarter.

Third. Dredgers Licenced on 21.

Fourth. Deeds enrolled on 2 to 16 inclusive. Fifteen Apprentices' Indentures. Still every one copied word for word, notwithstanding the precise similarity of their contents.

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